

COMMENT OF  
THE DAY

It Will Not Be  
Easy Going

THERE are plentiful signs that, from the very beginning, the projected Four Power meeting will encounter formidable divergencies of view and policy, which will in no way be removed or even lessened by the fact that the four heads of state will be there as well as the four foreign ministers.

Take one discouraging example: there has been a number of indications from Russia recently that the Soviet Government intends to call for the dissolution of the NATO defence system as a prerequisite for the "easing of tension" and the conclusion of a "European security treaty." A similar demand was one of the main causes of failure of last year's Berlin conference. For this is obviously one of the Soviet demands which the Western powers could not accept.

INCLUDED in the new Treaty of Warsaw between the Soviet Union and its European satellites is a clause which suggests that there may be an offer to scrap that treaty in turn for the scrapping of NATO. But the two are in no way comparable.

The Warsaw treaty does no more than give paper form to a closely organised military alliance, under complete Russian control, that has existed for years and would continue to exist even though the treaty were formally annulled.

The annulment of NATO would completely disrupt and destroy the whole military organization of Western Europe and leave it virtually defenceless. In effect the offer would be that if the West agreed to blow up its building the Russians would scrape the paint off theirs.

Yet it seems only too probable that demands or proposals of this nature will be made. One Russian paper was quoted last week as referring to the "end of NATO" as a possible outcome of the conference. This is quite an impossible suggestion, and such a demand, if pressed and adhered to, would threaten the whole meeting with rapid failure.

BUT to decide, because of such a possible approach by Russia, that the meeting would not be worth holding would be the final folly of pessimism. The proper conclusion to be drawn is that no rapid or spectacular results must be expected. It is not to be anticipated that the first meeting "at the summit" will reach agreement upon any matters of substance. Indeed the original note to Moscow made it clear that, in the minds of the three Western governments, that is not the purpose. The intention is that the heads of state should devote themselves to formulating the issues to be worked on and to agreeing on methods to be followed in exploring solutions.

It suggests a sensible procedure. For the task ahead is difficult and complex. If there is to be any real chance of success, patience and determination will be needed on both sides, and the process is likely to be a long one. It is better that the world should realise from the first that the Big Four conference will not be easy going.

Officials  
At Lowu

Officials of the United States Consulate-General went to Lowu station this morning in the hope that the four airmen whose deportation from China was announced in Peking yesterday would arrive on the 1.28 p.m. train from Canton.

A spokesman for the United States Information Service told the China Mail this morning: "We do not know when they are due to arrive but in case they come in on the first train we shall be there to meet them. "Whether or not it will be possible for the men to hold a Press conference will depend entirely upon their condition."

Rail Strike  
Causes  
Road Chaos  
TRAFFIC JAMS  
MILES LONG

London, May 30. The first real impact of Britain's national rail strike hit London tonight when Whitsun holiday traffic jams miles long converged on the city. Heavy traffic ports and police tried to sort out the hopeless chaos of 50,000 vehicles heading into the city every hour along eight main roads. On the city outskirts the traffic was crawling. Holiday-makers who feared they would be stranded overnight because of the rail stoppage had begged lifts home in anything that could move on wheels. Every coach, car, taxi and lorry was crammed with holiday folk sunbathed after a day at the sea in brilliant sunshine. Around many industrial cities came reports of traffic moving in walking pace streams. Traffic experts pondered dolefully over the effect the rail strike will have in London tomorrow (Tuesday) when

PROCLAMATION  
FORECAST

London, May 31. Lord Beaverbrook's Daily Express predicted today that a state of emergency would be proclaimed within 48 hours unless the rail strike ends.

"Standby notices have been issued to a small group of Ministers to fly to Balmoral Castle (where the Queen is on holiday) for a special meeting of the Privy Council," said the newspaper.—United Press.

Hillary's Desire

Auckland, May 30. Sir Edmund Hillary, who reached the top of Mount Everest two years ago, said he would like to attempt it again.—from the North.

He said the Northern approach over which previous expeditions had failed to reach the summit was the "classic route".—United Press.

Chou En-Lai's  
Message To  
Hammaraskjold  
FURTHER RELEASES  
POSSIBLE

New York, May 30. Mr Chou En-lai, the Chinese Communist Prime Minister, informed the United Nations today that four American airmen imprisoned during the Korean war will probably reach Hongkong tomorrow (Tuesday) after being "deported" from China.

A statement issued by the United Nations in the form of a press release said Mr Chou had informed Mr Hammaraskjold that the fliers would probably reach Hongkong by May 31. This statement said Mr Chou handed a letter yesterday to the Swedish Ambassador in Peking, Mr Hugo Wistrand, addressed to Mr Hammaraskjold. The text of the letter was cabled to the Secretary-General and arrived here today.

In the letter, the statement said, Mr Chou said that an investigation of the cases of the four fliers—Captain Harold

Terrorism  
In  
Casablanca  
Morocco Tension

Casablanca, May 30. A fresh spate of terrorism in Casablanca over the weekend brought the week's casualty toll to 12 dead and 25 injured. Tension, already high in Tunisia and Algeria, is rising in Morocco too. Latest victims here were two Jewish shopkeepers shot dead in Arab quarters for refusing to close their stores on Nationalist orders. A Moroccan night watchman was seriously wounded by revolver fire last night. Week-end incidents included bomb attempts at a Moslem school, a barracks and a bus. They caused considerable damage, but no victims. Reports continue to arrive from countryside of firing of crops, destruction of telephone lines and stoning of buses. A Moroccan was shot dead in a Casablanca suburb last night.

100 ARRESTED. At Sidi Bennour, between Mazagan and Marrakech, police arrested about 100 Moroccans suspected of organising an uprising in the area. A quantity of arms and ammunition was seized. A terrorist wounded a Moroccan merchant with two revolver bullets as he left his house here this morning. It was the second time the merchant had been wounded by terrorists in five months. A bomb exploded—harmlessly—today outside the house of a French official of the Morocco tobacco monopoly.—Reuter.

SOVIET-JAPAN  
RELATIONS

London, May 30. The former Japanese Ambassador to London, Mr Shunichi Matsumoto, declared on his arrival here today that he will initiate as soon as possible negotiations with Soviet Ambassador Jacob Malik for a renewal of diplomatic relations between the Soviet Union and Japan. Mr Matsumoto said that he hoped the conversations with the Soviet delegation would begin on Wednesday next, although the date had not yet been fixed.—France-Press.

Major Earthquake

Passadena, May 30. A major, distant earthquake, centred in the vicinity of Vladivostok on the east coast of the Soviet Union, was recorded at 5.43 a.m. today by the California Institute of Technology.—United Press.



Here are the four US airmen "deported" by Peking, and due in Hongkong today. Top left, Col. Harker; top right, Capt. Fischer; bottom left, Lt. Parks; bottom right, Lt. Cameron.—AP Photos.

SEEKING  
A STIFF  
BARGAIN

Rebel Leader's Terms  
For Diem

Saigon, May 30. Last-minute haggling was going on today between supporters of South Vietnam Premier Ngo Dinh Diem and dissident Ho Hao General Tran Van Soai, to avoid a direct clash between the 40,000 National Army men and the Ho Hao sect forces.

The bargaining was intensified as the General put up his price for surrender. His new demands were said to include back pay for integrating 8,000 of his 20,000-man army in the National Army, a further 100,000,000 piastres for the withdrawal of the reinforcements sent against him in the western provinces, and a guarantee for his personal property and wealth.

The government, for its part, was stated to have increased its initial offer to include the integration of 5,000 Ho Hao men in the National Army, indemnity for demolishing the Ho Hao crops not integrated. After rallying the Cao Dai sect to his cause and expelling the Binh Xuyen sect from Saigon, Ngo Dinh Diem now wants to get rid of the Ho Hao "abscess" at all costs.

He appeared ready to make the maximum financial sacrifice in order to avoid military operations which might prove inconclusive.—France-Press.

Police Avert Gang War

New York, May 30. Mounted police charged into a mob of about 500 persons today, narrowly averting a gang war which the authorities said could have been "serious". The police blamed the trouble on the summer heat.

The Monarchs, only nine in number, dispersed the would-be brawlers and, reinforced by 150 patrolmen who rushed to their aid, "blood guard" at the scene of the near-riot until midnight.

The police said the incident began when about five or six men began fighting in a nearby cafeteria. The brawlers moved to the Bronx Park, where word of the trouble quickly spread.

Warning To  
Rice Girls  
On Strike

Pavia, Italy, May 30. Italy's rice growers threatened tonight to cut off food supplies to 155,000 rice girls who struck work today in the rice fields of the Po Valley.

The girls, who are lodged and fed by their employers during the two months that they work in the rice fields, are striking for an increase of 50 lire (sevenpence) in their wage of 1,237 lire (4/6d) for an eight-hour day.

Trade union leaders said the strike would go on until the employers gave way. But they announced tonight that the strike of two million other farm hands throughout Italy—which they described as a "warning"—would be called off at noon on Wednesday. The farm labourers were called out today.

One million Italian school children had a second day's holiday today as more than 55,000 secondary-school teachers continued the gravest educational strike ever staged in Italy. Talks were still going on late tonight in the hope of ending the strike before Wednesday morning when end-of-year examinations are due to start.—Reuter.

Egyptian  
Slain: 6  
Wounded

Gaza, May 30. An Egyptian soldier was killed and five others injured today during an attack by Israeli units on Egyptian posts on the Gaza border strip, it was officially announced here today.

An Egyptian civilian was also wounded, the announcement added.

Egyptian sources said that the United Nations truce observers, who investigated today's incident, had established that three Israeli armed cars and several other military vehicles had crossed the demarcation line and opened fire with automatic weapons against several Egyptian posts.

The Egyptian Army returned the fire and Israeli artillery then began to shell the Egyptian posts supported by planes, these sources said.

Egyptian units stopped firing after three hours of combat on the intervention of the truce observers.

These sources said the Israeli units kept up their fire for another 45 minutes and then retreated leaving behind several damaged vehicles and a large quantity of arms and explosives.—France-Press.

Grenade Kills  
Boy: Injures 9

Saigon, May 31. A Vietnamese boy was killed and nine others seriously wounded when a grenade exploded early today in a boarding school dormitory adjoining the Vietnamese national police headquarters.

Five other boys, all between 15 and 18, were slightly wounded. Police said the explosion was caused by a grenade but they did not know whether it had been thrown into the school dormitory or whether it had been carried in by one of the boys.—Reuter.

GOA INCIDENT

Panaji, May 30. Seventy Indian demonstrators who crossed into Goa on Thursday were arrested by Goanese police yesterday after wandering in dense forest for three days, according to a Goanese government communique today. The communique said that after feeding them the police released 68 of the demonstrators back over the border, but detained the leader, Sirdora Purushottam Limaye, of the Indian Praja Socialist Party and one other.—Reuter.

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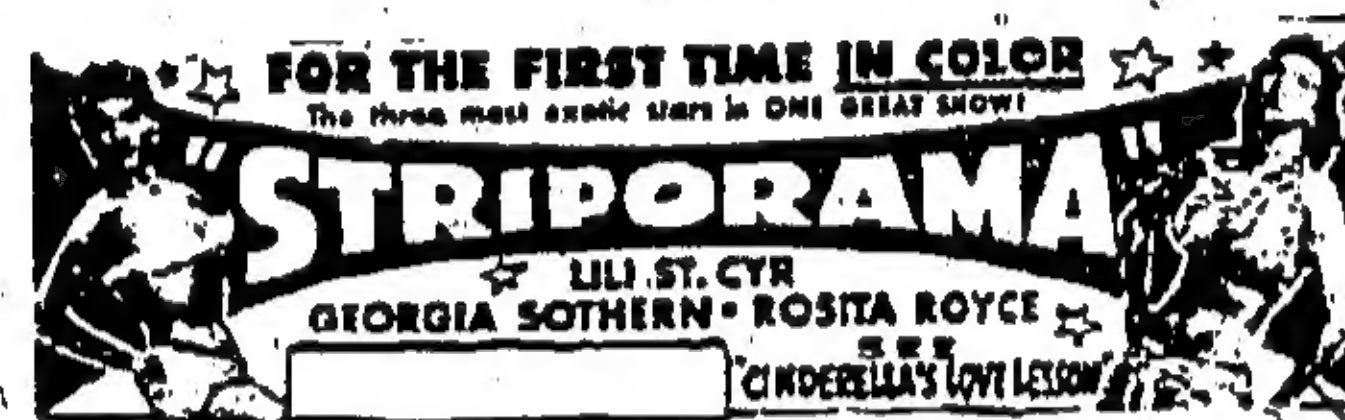
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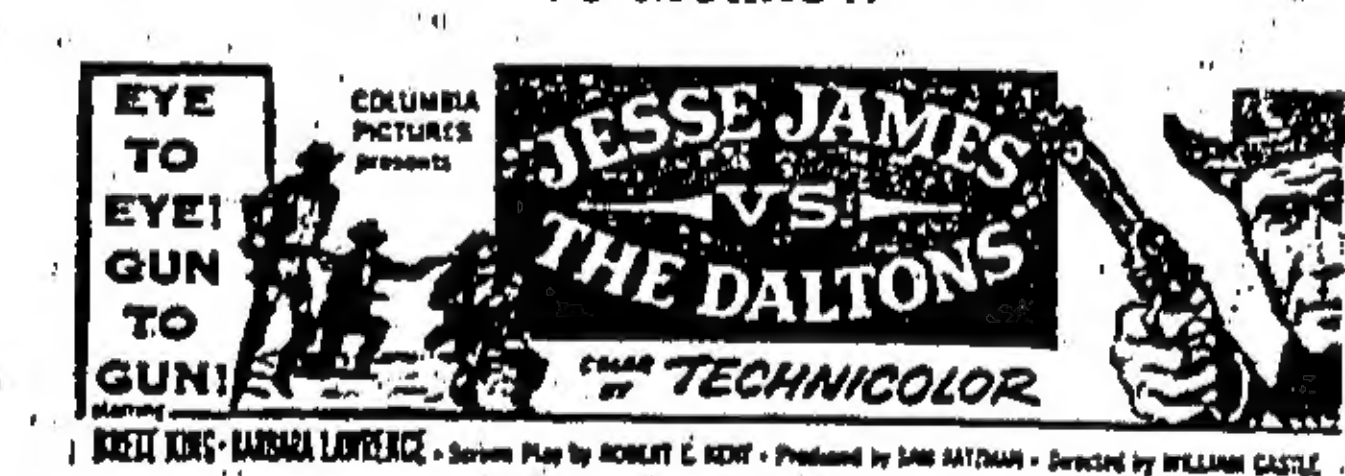
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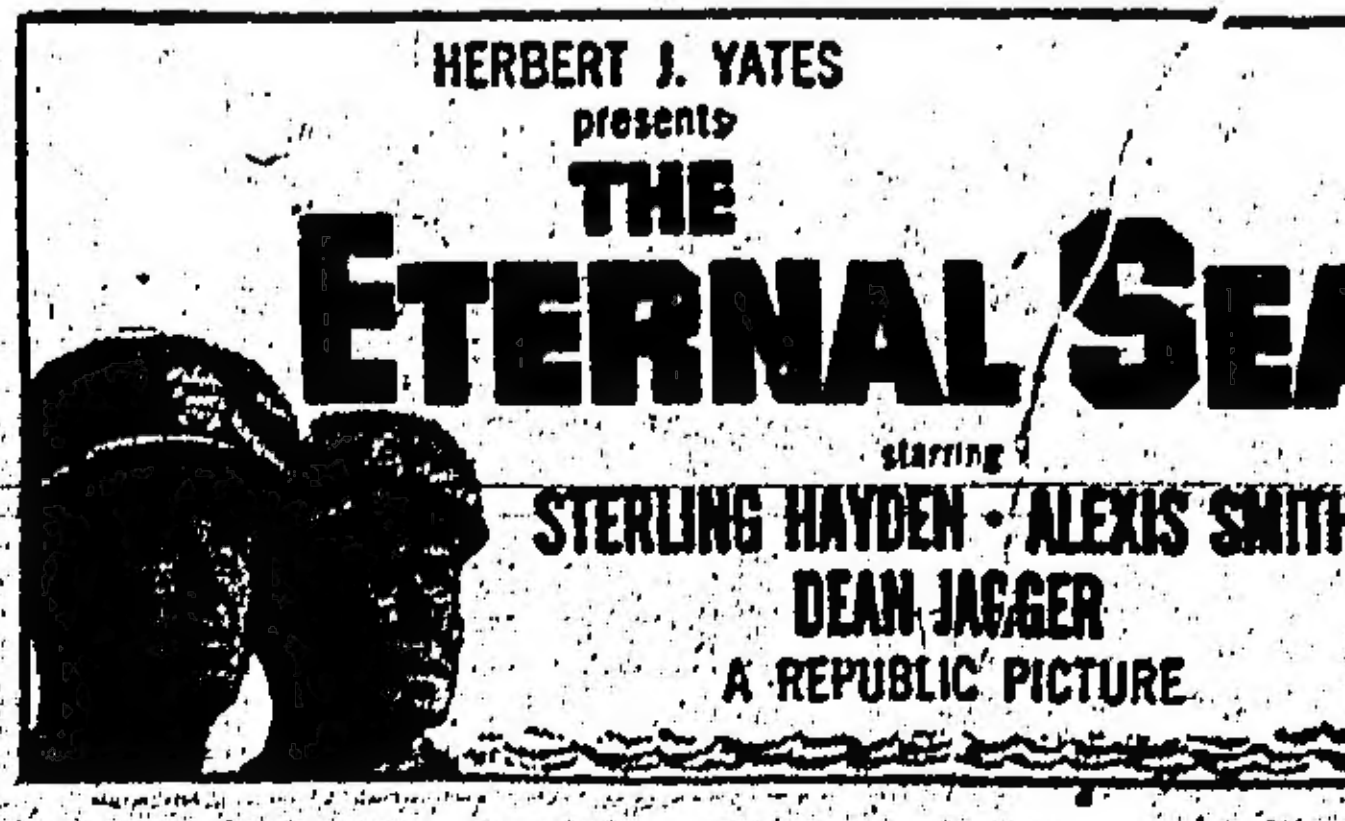
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# Tunisians Told To Forget Conflicts

## NATIONALIST LEADER RETURNING

Paris, May 30.

The Tunisian Nationalist leader, Habib Bourguiba, tonight called on the people of the North African protectorate to "forget the conflicts and quarrels of yesterday."

He spoke to newsmen at the Gare de Lyons moments before boarding a train for Marseilles, where he will embark tomorrow for Tunis.

A hero's welcome awaits him there in celebration of Tunisia achieving home rule and the end of Bourguiba's years of exile.

### VISIBLY MOVED

Visibly moved by the prospect of return to his homeland, Bourguiba told newsmen:

"At this moment of returning to my country, after years of battle for our national ideal, after the tragic events which troubled our social life, I want to appeal to you, Tunisians, my brothers, and to you, French and Europeans, my friends, to live together peacefully and forget the conflicts and quarrels of yesterday."

Nothing can be built for the future in an atmosphere of hate and suspicion, Bourguiba said. He praised the long months of negotiation which had resulted in France granting home rule to Tunisia and added: "By these same methods we can start to

deal with the immense tasks before us."

"Independence must be conciliated with the interdependence between countries linked by permanent and superior interests," he said. "Scrutinious application of the (home rule) conventions will help us to find the formula whereby the association of friendship and solidarity between France and Tunisia can continue harmoniously."

A dense crowd of young Tunisians crowded the platform to wave goodbye to the Nationalist leader amid cries of "Vive Bourguiba." — United Press.



# World Was Down On Him

## SHOOTING OF POLICEMEN

Ocala, Florida, May 30.

An eccentric teacher, charged with the murder of three policemen, believed the world was "down on him."

Edward Samuel Lindley's fear of other people, along with his love for his wife, apparently touched off a blazing 90-minute gun battle on Saturday night in which three officers died and another was wounded.

The Rev. T.J. Stairs, who said he had known Lindley for eight years, quoted the 73-year-old former high school principal and mathematics teacher as saying everyone was "down on him" and that neighbors had picked on him and his wife for the past 25 years.

IN GAOL  
Lindley, in gaol with his wife awaiting arraignment on first degree murder charges, loved his wife like a "childhood sweetheart," Stairs said.

Together, they stood off some 30 officers with high-powered rifles, pistols and shotguns from behind the barricaded doors of their small concrete block home in a residential area.

After they surrendered the police searched the house and found an arsenal of about 25 guns, and hundreds of rounds of ammunition.

Killed in the gun fight were two deputies and an assistant police chief. A fourth officer was badly wounded.

The battle started when two deputies went to the Lindley home at the call of a neighbor, Douglas Wingfield, who said Lindley had shot at him. Lindley told the police he only shot in the air "to attract the attention" of Wingfield.

"Wingfield called us bad neighbors. I wanted Wingfield to apologize to my wife for calling her a bad neighbor,"

the police quoted Lindley as saying. Sheriff Don McLeod rejected speculation that Lindley and his wife might have been involved in illegal activities. "Apparently he just liked guns. He's had them for years and was just fond of them," said Sheriff McLeod.—United Press.

Colette Duval, the 25-year-old Paris mannequin, recently broke the Women's World Parachute Descent record at 18,000 ft. and let herself fall for 16,700 feet before opening her parachute. The record free-drop for men is over 27,000 feet.—Express Photo.

# Warsaw Pact Signed

Berlin, May 30.

The Rumanian National Assembly today ratified the Warsaw Pact, the East German News Agency, ADN, reported from Bucharest.

The parliaments of all eight signatory states have now approved the 20-year treaty of friendship, collaboration and mutual aid signed in Warsaw on May 14.

The Pact provides for a unified command for Russia, Albania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Poland, Rumania and Czechoslovakia. East Germany also signed the Pact but her participation in the military side of it "will be examined later," it was announced at the time.—Reuter.

# Organised Street Battle

Berlin, May 30.

The newly elected leader of the East German Communist youth movement (FDJ) Karl Namokel, openly acknowledged today that the Berlin council of the FDJ organized the street battle in West Berlin on Saturday in which 35 policemen were injured.

This bitterest clash since the War occurred outside a beer hall which the FDJ blue shirts tried to storm because war veterans were holding a social gathering inside.

The West German news agency, ADN, said today that Namokel

sent a telegram to the Berlin council of the FDJ congratulating them on the "success" of their "Whitsun effort."

"We know that we can rely on you and that you will continue to fight courageously against further intended gatherings of these enemies of German youth no matter how overpowering the police forces may be," the telegram said.

The attackers on Saturday numbered about 4,000 and attacked 300 policemen with bricks, lead-filled rubber hoses, sticks, knuckledusters and tear gas.—Reuter.

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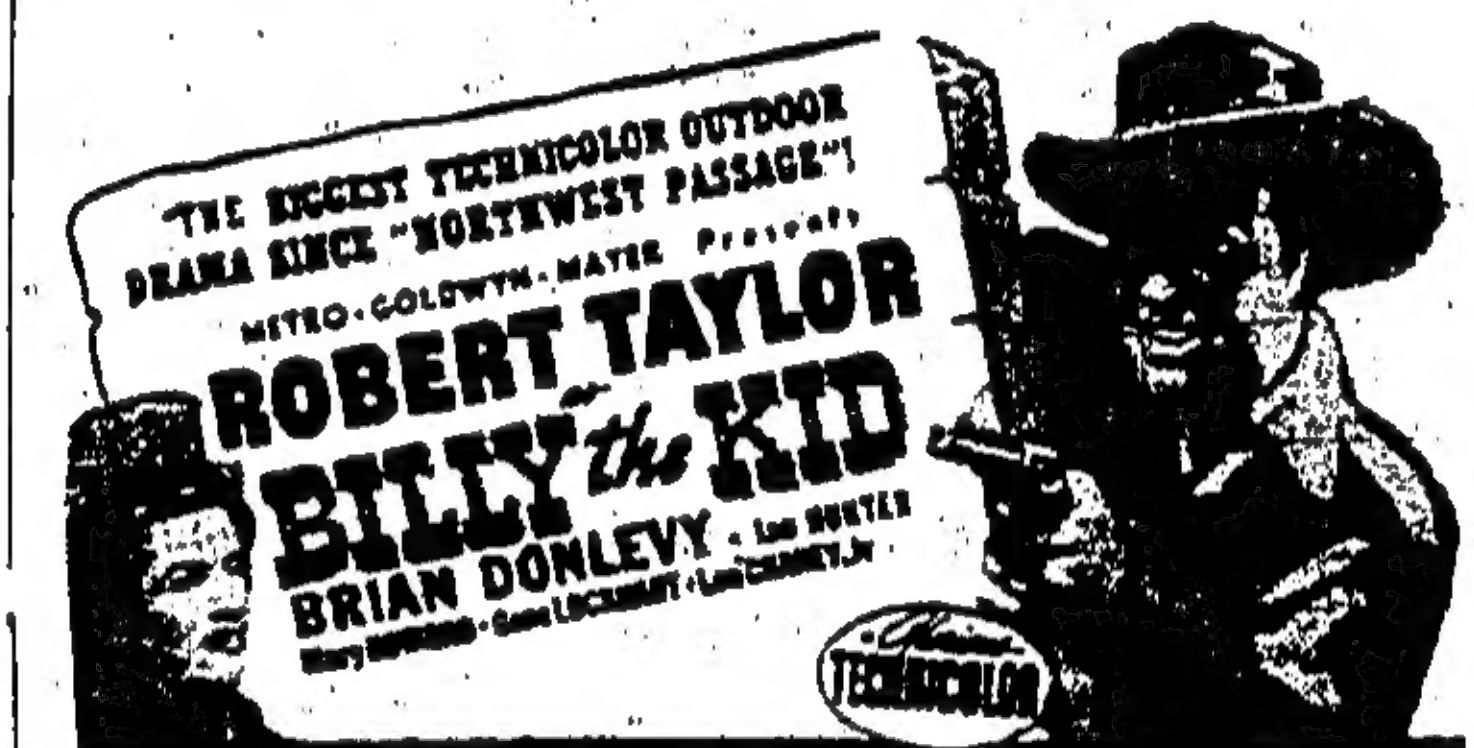
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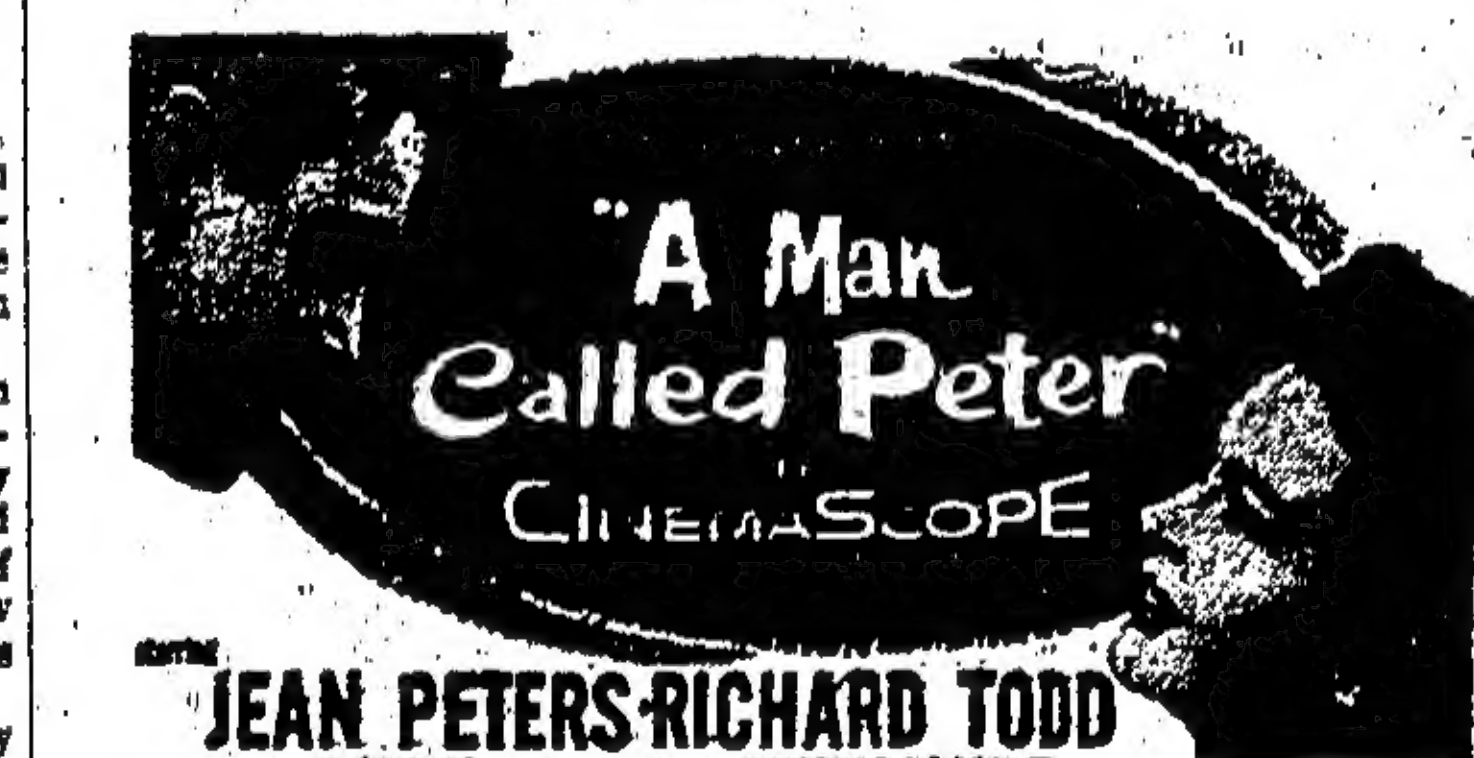
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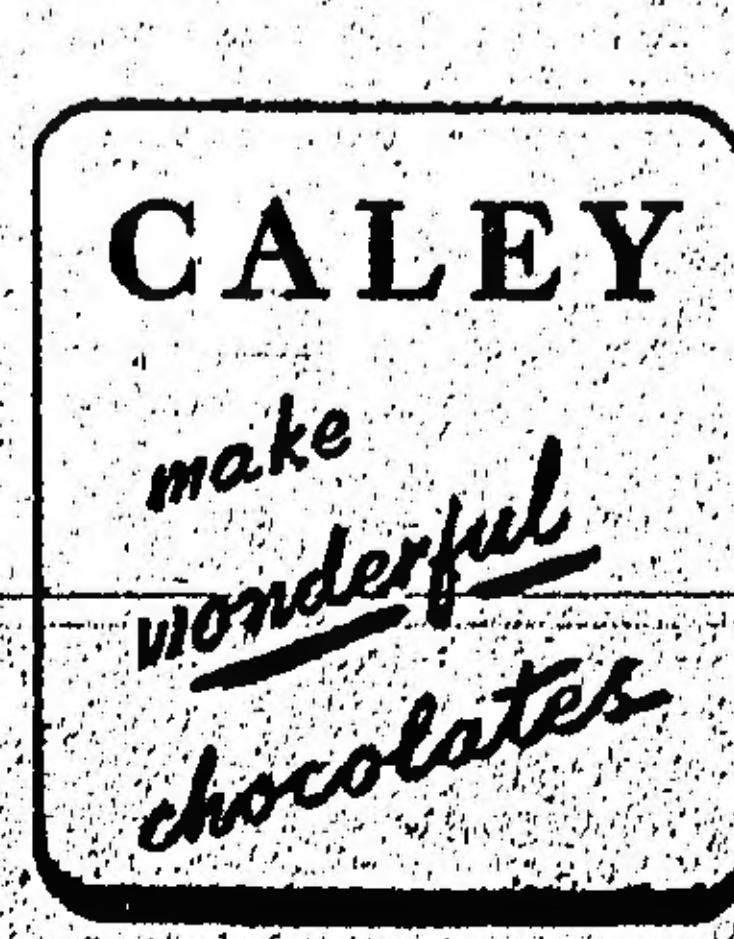


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# TRIESTE REDS IN REVOLT

## DIG FOR DINNER

### No Overlooking Eisenhower

Gettysburg, May 30. An observation tower on the historic Gettysburg battlefield was closed over the weekend so that President Eisenhower should not be overlooked on his farm a mile away.

A sign reading "temporarily closed" hung over the stairway of the tower which for weeks has been a favourite spot for tourists who used binoculars to watch the President's farm.

Some 20 people were chased from the tower by Secret Service men who claimed the entrance and then padlocked the stairway. One agent said the tower would be closed whenever the President visits his farm which he does frequently. — China Mail Special.

### TERRORISTS REFUSE TO SURRENDER

Djakarta, May 30. An attempt to reach agreement with one of the gangs terrorising Indonesia on its peaceful surrender to authorities has met with failure and several hundreds of the gang, armed with Bren guns and Sten guns, have once again taken to the jungle.

A number of representatives of the Government, army and police had gathered in Sepang, a small town in Bantam, on Java's most western tip, to meet gang leader Kamid for final discussions on his surrender after a preliminary agreement had been reached on conditions.

Kamid turned up with several hundreds of his followers many of them armed with Sten guns, while thousands had gathered to watch the proceedings.

**NEW CONDITIONS**

The gang leader, however, put forward completely new conditions. He demanded 6,000 rupiahs from the Government for every Bren gun he would hand over, objected against the surrendering of his men and demanded they should be set free immediately.

Moreover, he stated he would surrender to the Indonesian Attorney-General himself only, and not to his assistant who was present.

After long discussions, he asked permission to consult his men but instead he and his gang withdrew, shooting their guns wildly, causing panic among the villagers.

Police and troops immediately took up pursuit of the gang which meanwhile, however, had vanished into the jungle. — Reuters.

## USSR Overtures To Yugoslavia Condemned PARTY SHAKEN

Trieste, May 30.

Trieste's Communist leaders tonight threw their small but vigorous party into crisis by roundly condemning the Soviet wooing of Yugoslavia.

The signal for revolt against the policies of Mr Nikita Khrushchev, Secretary of the Russian Communist Party, was given in a leading article in the official organ of the Trieste Communist Party.

The article was unsigned but believed to have been written by the local Party chief, Vittorio Vidali, 55, known as "The Mexican Jaguar."

### IN MEXICO

He was in Mexico at the time of the slaying of Trotsky in 1940 and was rumoured to have been sent there by Stalin to organise the liquidation of the greatest Communist rebel yet.

For nearly 15 years he had been the head of the strategically important Trieste Communist Party.

## CABINET CRISIS IN CHILE

Santiago, May 30.

A Cabinet crisis in Chile following strikes by hospital employees and students culminated last night in a decision by the Christian Labour Party, the majority group in the present coalition Government, to withdraw their Ministers from the Cabinet.

The Party took the step after the President, General Carlos Ibanez Del Campo, rejected the resignation of the Under-Secretary of the Interior, Senator Carlos Ferrer, whose alleged action in denying asylum to 13 Peruvian students deported from the Argentine led to the 48-hour student strike last week.

The Finance Minister, Senator Sergio Recabarren, had already resigned over the nation-wide strike of hospital employees for better pay. — Reuters.

The article said that Mr Khrushchev's declaration on arrival at Belgrade "has shaken our party as the bore (a bitter Adriatic east wind) shakes our trees."

The writer flatly contradicted Mr Khrushchev's claim that the break between Moscow and Marshal Tito in 1948 was due to Lavrenti Beria, former Minister of the Interior since executed.

"The Communists of Trieste should feel proud of their struggle against Tito, particularly in recent years," the article declared.

"We cannot accept the declarations of Comrade Khrushchev and although we are profoundly pained by this divergence of judgment, we prefer to express our opinions frankly because we are convinced that they correspond to objective truth."

The article ended with an appeal to the Party members to "remain calm at a time of such great difficulty."

It added that the Central Committee of the Party would meet immediately after the end of the Russian visit to Yugoslavia "to express its opinion on the results." — Reuters.

## FREE IRAQ RADIO ATTACK

Bagdad, May 30.

Abdul Wahab Mirjan, President of the Chamber of Deputies, today called for a Chamber meeting tomorrow (Tuesday) to discuss Iraqi-Egyptian relations following broadcasts by an Egyptian radio station called "The Voice of Free Iraq."

The Iraq Government recently accused Egypt of operating this secret anti-Iraq radio station on Egyptian soil though Egypt has denied the charge.

Senator Towfiq Sawidi, a former Prime Minister, is likely to visit Egypt soon on an official delegation to meet the Egyptian Premier, Colonel Nasser, and other Egyptian leaders, to try to close the gap in relations between the two countries created by the broadcast. — Reuters.

## Emergency Measures Threatened By Scelba SCHOOL TEACHERS STRIKE

Rome, May 30.

Premier Mario Scelba threatened emergency measures tonight to crack a three-day, nationwide strike of school teachers.

Politics got all mixed up in education as the deadline neared for final examinations in intermediate and high schools.

Postponing his departure for Sicily to join the campaign for next Sunday's regional elections, Signor Scelba conferred with his Treasury Minister, Silvio Gava, and his Education Minister, Giuseppe Einaudi.

They stood firm against the demands of 81,600 teachers for virtually doubled pay. The teachers now average about 50,000 lire (US\$10) a month. They want a starting wage of 72,000 lire (US\$14.20).

In its third day, the strike produced no incidents. An estimated 80 per cent of the teachers were off the job. One



Sheep grazing in fields alongside the main Yorkshire-Lancashire road at Standedge had to dig for their dinner through four inches of snow when winter made an unexpected return. Snow-ploughs were out in some areas. — Reutersphoto.

## 429 KILLED IN US TRAFFIC ACCIDENT TOLL MOUNTS

Chicago, May 30.

Traffic deaths in the US soared today toward an expected new record for a three-day Memorial Day holiday.

The United Press casualty count showed 429 accidental deaths, including 294 on the highways, 99 by drowning, two in plane crashes and 34 in miscellaneous mishaps.

## Everest Foundation Created

London, May 31.

Mountaineers and mountaineering scientists exploring anywhere in the world are to be encouraged and partly financed by a special foundation set up in Britain, it was announced here today.

The new organisation known as the Mount Everest Foundation has been established by the Alpine Club and the Royal Geographical Society and will conduct funds accumulated as a result of the successful British Commonwealth conquest of the world's highest mountain in May two years ago.

They have a substantial fund for this purpose from royalties on a book by Sir John Hunt, leader of the 1953 climb, and of lectures and films about that expedition, they said.

**COMPETENT PLANS**

Applicants for help should be qualified to embark on their proposed exploration or research and must submit competent plans, a statement issued by the Foundation added.

A fair proportion of the grants will be made to those who intend to visit unexplored mountain areas, but the Foundation particularly wishes to help explorers of proved ability to revisit charted mountains as leaders of less experienced parties of mountaineers and scientists.

Money will also be provided to explore new or little known mountain regions and to carry out further scientific investigation of mountains already well known. — Reuters.

California led the states with 25 traffic deaths.

Traffic deaths climbed steadily as the holiday neared its end at midnight tonight and the National Safety Council said it feared they would surpass last year's record high of 384 for a three-day Memorial Day holiday.

Mr. H. Dearborn, Council President, commented:

**DISGRACEFUL**

"This seems a disgraceful way to utilise the freedom won by those whose memory we honour today."

Normally accidents spurt sharply in the waning hours of a holiday when motorists relax their caution in the weary urge to get home. Clearing weather over much of the nation also added to the press of cars on the roads today.

Meanwhile in most communities throughout the land the day was given over to parades and traditional services honouring the war dead.

But the holiday was all but forgotten at the tiny town of Uchil, Kansas, almost wiped from the map by a tornado last week. Residents spent the day attending funerals and burying their loved ones as the death toll was raised officially from 76 to 80.

The raised figure came from the Red Cross, which said another 24 persons still are unaccounted for almost a week after the tragedy. — United Press.

## CANADIAN FAIR OPENED

Toronto, May 30.

Dr Ludwig Erhard, who led West Germany's spectacular postwar economic recovery, today opened the eighth annual Canadian trade fair here.

Girls in the national costumes of 31 participating countries flanked the officials on the opening day platform.

Among the non-participating observers are 13 Russian economists. Several months ago the Soviet Government made enquiries about the requirements for exhibiting goods but did not follow up.

The products of two Iron Curtain countries — Poland and Czechoslovakia — are on exhibit. The Czechs are showing goods ranging from beer to saxophones in one of the largest displays.

**17 JAPANESE**

A party of 17 Japanese businessmen headed by Mr Chubel Ito arrived in Toronto last night. Mr Ito is one of Japan's "Big Five" businessmen and its 30 companies' products range from synthetic fibres to pulp and steel.

Japan's Consul in Toronto, Mr Ken Yoshida, said his country's exporters were hoping to compete with textile imports in Canada and not with the home products.

He said the amount of textile goods imported by Canada from Japan was only "a drop in the bucket," amounting to less in value than the amount of whisky imported by Japan from Canada. — China Mail Special.

## Action Planned Against Fellagha

Algiers, May 30.

The French Interior Minister, Maurice Bourges-Maunoury, visited four key towns in the remote Aures Mountains today, flying above the dangerous bandit-infested roads by helicopter.

## ANOTHER 'QUEEN' PLANNED

London, May 30.

Plans for the first of two world-beaters to replace the ageing Queens of the Atlantic — the 81,237-ton Queen Mary and the 83,673-ton Queen Elizabeth — are being discussed by Cunard Line experts.

The Cunard management is confident that the Mary, now almost 19 years old, and her sister, four years younger, are still good for many years of service.

But a replacement would take at least four years from the date of ordering. So plans have to be made well in advance.

### NOW IN SERVICE

Some shipping experts believe that with the growth of air competition, the future of the North Atlantic ferry lies with smaller, more economical ships.

But Cunard building policy on the Canadian run suggests that it does not share this view.

Cunard's pre-war Canadian fleet of six 14,000-ton liners is now being replaced by four 22,000-ton ships.

So if Canada is any guide, the successors to the Queens will be no smaller — and might even be larger.

What would be the cost? Colonel Denis Bates, chief of the Brakes brothers to rule Cunard, tells his shareholders that liners are four times as costly as before the war.

This would indicate a bill of more than £20,000,000 for a new Queen.

### WILL FADE AWAY

But Cunard has been able to set aside money for replacement at a rate of only about twice the pre-war cost. And Colonel Bates warns that if the gap continues to grow, some ship or ships in our fleet today will fade away without replacement.

**FOOTNOTE** — The French line will start this year to build a 60,000-ton, 35-knot replacement for the Normandie, burned out in New York in 1942. — London Express Service.

He made brief stops at Kercelha, Batna, Ardz and Biskra, all of which are heavily garrisoned by French troops operating against the estimated 1,500 "Army of God" fellagha in the Aures badlands. Frequent bandit attacks since last November's All Saints Day uprising have made most roads in the Aures unsafe for travel except by well-armed military convoys.

M. Bourges-Maunoury visited the Aures as part of his 10-day inspection tour of Algerian trouble spots. Final recommendations on dealing with the mushrooming and violent nationalist movement will be made in Paris after the Interior Minister's return.

**ACTION COMMITTEE**

Sources said the "Action Committee" on Algerian affairs suggested by Marshal Alphonse Juin in a speech in Algiers yesterday would be set up, but only after M. Bourges-Maunoury's report is made. — United Press.

## Hartnell's Frog Disqualified

Durban, May 30.

Frogs of many nations were going through all sorts of acrobatics here today in finals of the "Frog Olympics" organised at Margate, a small South African resort town on the Indian Ocean, near Durban.

More than 500 frogs, of all colours, shapes and sizes, have for the past three days been running "through obstacle courses, engaging in speed races, practising high jumps, broad jumps and somersaults and competing with each other in exhibition of diving."

Most of the prizes were won by South African frogs, although an English entry, "Peggy", representing the English City of Margate, did well in today's events.

The American entries from "Angel Camp" in California, where frog racing began two years ago, seemed to have suffered from the long voyage to South Africa, and failed to live up to their usual standards.

A frog entered by Norman Hartnell, dressmaker for England's Queen Elizabeth, was disqualified for not obeying the rules. — France-Press.

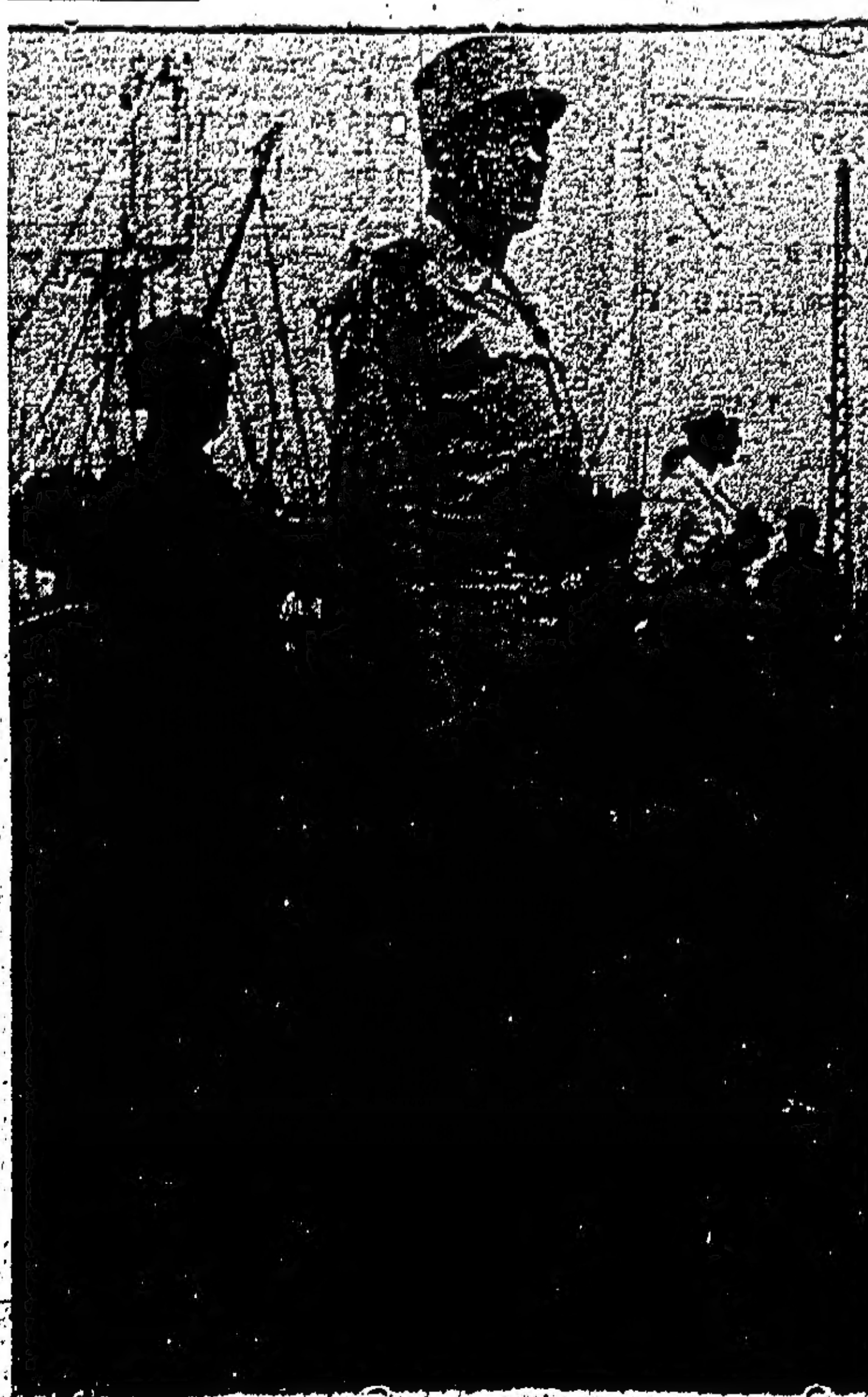
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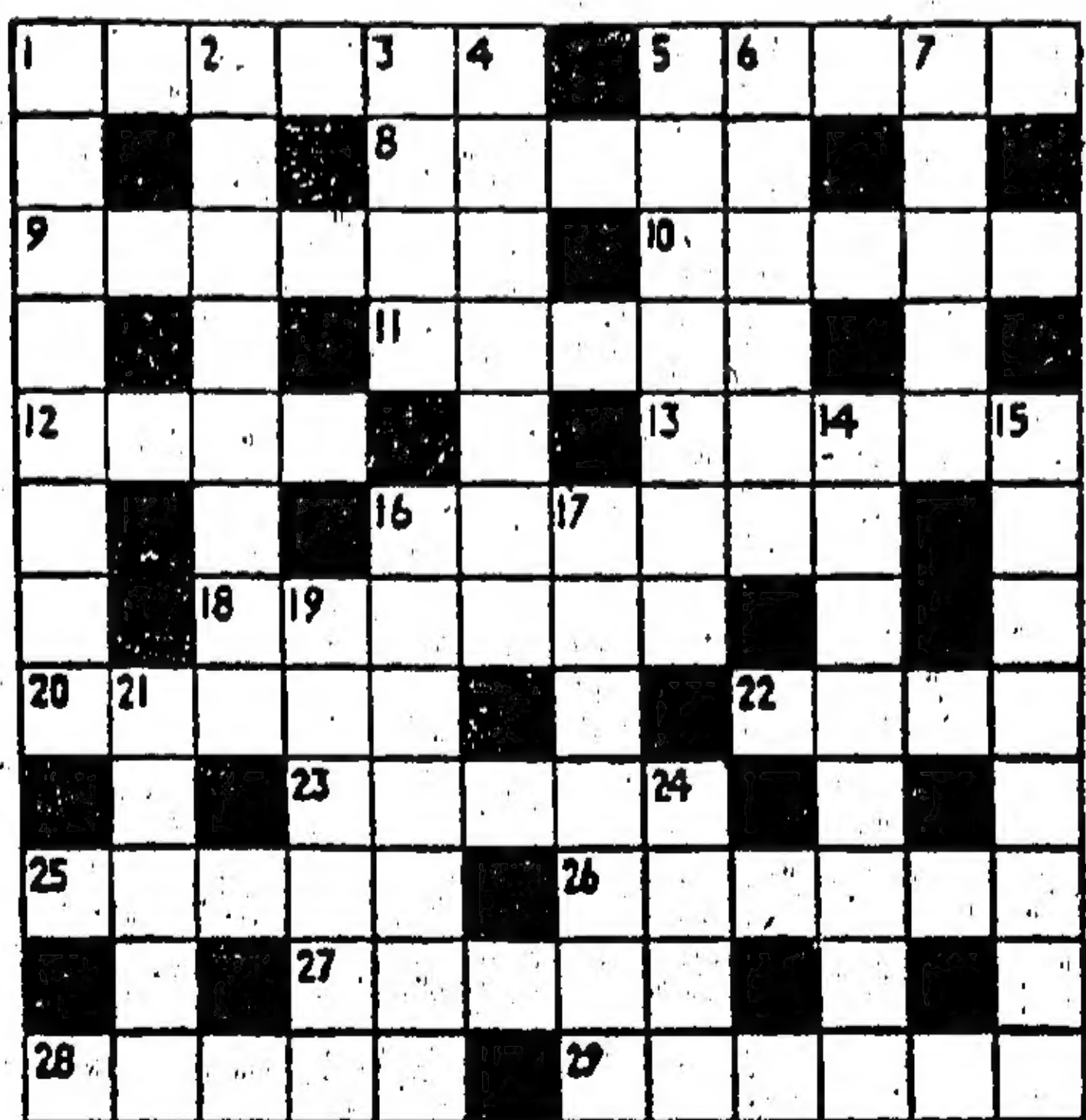
TOMORROW FOR WORTHWHILE BUDGET SAVINGS

## French Evacuate Haiphong



General Cogny, Commander of French troops, inspects the 1st French regiment as they embark on a troopship during the evacuation of Haiphong. — Express Photo.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



**ACROSS**

1 Reviewer (6).  
5 Struggles for breath (5).  
8 Shade of red (5).  
9 Diminish (6).  
10 Restrict (5).  
11 Climb (5).  
12 Denial (5).  
13 Follow (5).  
16 Disinclined (6).  
18 Panacea (6).  
20 Stadium (5).  
22 Dregs (4).  
23 Wounds with a knife (5).  
25 Worth (5).  
26 Ambassador (6).  
27 Monarch (5).  
28 Pigment (5).  
29 Choose (6).

**DOWN**

1 U.S.A. district (8).  
2 Unsettled (8).  
3 Freezes (4).  
4 Curving inward (7).  
5 "The gods" (7).  
6 Foreigners (6).  
7 French soldier (5).  
14 Love song (8).  
15 In being (8).  
16 Non-professional (7).  
17 Food (7).  
18 Make certain of (6).  
21 Dominion (5).  
24 Withered (4).

**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 1 Endure, 5 Comet, 8 Aho, 9 Remedy, 11 Nurse, 12 Frodo, 14 Mess, 16 Shell, 18 Alert, 19 Stir, 20 Orates, 24 Sharp, 25 Reside, 28 Ever, 29 Amend, 28 Smithy. Down: 1 Earn, 2 Damp, 3 Rate, 4 Elects, 5 Constable, 6 Mariner, 7 Trestle, 10 Order, 13 Canasta, 14 Meditate, 15 Stoop, 17 Hires, 19 Sparce, 21 Term, 22 Sift, 23 Levy.



# THE FAILURE OF PLAN B

**"E**VERY knock's a boost." My friend had given me this motto to write in the fly-leaf of my diary for 1941, and he knew much more about the world of public reputation than I did. "They forget what you were mentioned for, the mention is the thing." All the same, within five days of the start of that year I was involved in a knock which few of the five hundred and forty people concerned have ever forgotten: and they still remember that I was the man responsible.

In 1941 the BBC Features Department, to which I then belonged, was stuffing the air every week with an endless series of documentary programmes on the Services (War Effort), alternating with poetry programmes and the lives of authors like Cobbett and Keats (Escape Programmes, angled on English Heritage).

## Escape week

Week One, 1941 was to be for me one of the Escape Weeks. Subject of the programme: "Chopin in Britain." It was an awkward theme, with much too much death in it, and even the reading of two lives of Chopin a day left me incapable (when it came, for instance, to the part where the dying Chopin is carried upstairs to perform at

his last public concert) of supplying really natural and authentic-sounding dialogue. However, the BBC financial department had been particularly helpful in one aspect. They had supplied me with a first-rate and indeed, celebrated pianist to play the all-important Chopin excerpts, Otto Mackensen (and here let me warn the reader that though the characters are retained, names and places, for reasons which will appear obvious later, I have changed). Mackensen (I

thing strange. At first I thought, because I expected it, that the sound was Chopin. The Ballade in C sharp minor? Yet... I opened the door a shade—was it possible? Chopin was being jazzed. Someone was chuckling.

"Come in, old lad." It was Freddie Decker, pulling me in by the elbow. A friend I knew his connections with, but I hadn't realised that Freddie, the bright, the homely, was temporary acting

by Stephen Potter

Today the exponent of Gamesmanship joins the famous writers who have accepted the challenge to tell a tale which in turn challenges you to decide

## DID IT HAPPEN?

This story COULD have happened and the author might be relating FACT; but he might be weaving a web of FICTION. Tomorrow you can see if your deduction was right.

call him), though over 60, could be described as the third best Chopin player in Europe.

I was given, of course, one day in which to rehearse and produce my Chopin. Not the leisurely week of pre-war days, but one feverish Sunday. On the Saturday, the fatal Saturday before, Mackensen had travelled down from London to the BBC HQ of my section, which for wartime was planted, deeply and dingily, a thousand miles from green grass, as it seemed to us, in the Midlands.

In the heart of the dinginess was the great Belfort Hotel, known to every business executive and star actor in the country, compact and glittering among the strange shapes of factory architecture, an island of chromium, though a little cracked and faded by wartime wear and tear, and deep in the heart of the Belfort was Mackensen.

Mackensen was said to be an awkward customer if he didn't like you. I was apprehensive. I pushed outside the luxury Suite Six. I heard the sound of a piano, but there was some-

manager for Mackensen, after being temporary acting everything else in Eastern Command.

Then I heard another voice, deep, foreign, from the piano. "Come in, Stephen." It was beyond belief. Such a greeting from a great man who had never met me before.

"Looking forward to your little show," Freddie was pulling me aside, while I was staring at Mackensen, still at the piano. I hadn't imagined anything so tiny. His head was round and smooth like a pebble. He sat very upright and stared unsmilingly at me. "Is not this an improvement of Frederick?" he said.

"Can you do that to Beethoven as well?" I said.

"Oh, no, Beethoven would be too stupid. Too disappointing."

He stopped playing and remained sitting with his arms stretched straight out in front of him. I thought this was peculiar. He did not move his hand, even when he spoke.

Freddie had still got hold of my arm and gave me a gentle



Drawing by Keolman.

pull round the partition door, out of Mackensen's sight. "When can I start?" I said to Freddie. "We've got to choose these bits. It's rather complicated. Cues, etc."

"Come back this evening," Freddie said. "Everything will be all right then. Otto has had a long journey—and his neuritis. Absolutely—all right this evening."

"Of course," I said.

I hung outside the door a minute because Mackensen was starting his jazzing again. Downstairs I was rather surprised when Miss Wetherby, the head receptionist, asked me "how he was," as I passed her. That was the first time it occurred to me that it might have been that he had been drinking.

"As this story shows, Gamesmanship is not Stephen Potter's only contribution to civilization. Since 1900, he has written second class hours at Oxford to win the BSc in 1918 as a producer. Other jobs include lecturing, reviewing, a book about Calais, and editing a magazine. He is married—his wife is, artist Mary Potter—and father of two sons. An accomplished clubman—the Athenaeum, Saville, and Garrick—he is a waspish raconteur."

I turned up at the Belfort that evening with some Chopin scripts and the fine, big, bound producer's copy which I liked to carry around for effect. I still felt the need of bolstering myself up with my star performer. I went into the long, melancholy Belfort bar for a large gin and French, before going up to Suite Six.

Upstairs, all was normal. Mackensen was alert, striding about, he talked about Chopin, not very originally, but everything had great meaning, coming from him.

A table was laid on the sitting-room of the suite. Mackensen fired off his remarks not, I thought, particularly at me.

A jug of—  
A waiter appeared with a large water-jug; yet it was not filled with water but dark red wine. That is what I thought at first. But no—I need not have bothered to take that drink. It was full of gin and Dubonnet.

This seemed to me extraordinary. Yet it was something which must be attempted. One must keep level with one's host, even to the extent of drinking a pint of gin and Dubonnet, and show no surprise if, with the chicken, two ordinary bottles and one magnum of champagne were produced.

After dinner Mackensen wanted to play. He was expert, I've got friends in this slive. "You have friends in this slive?" Down below, in the restaurant?

"Heaps," I said, at once.

"No doubt they would like to hear Mackensen play. His name still stands for something, perhaps? Go, collect them, gather them in."

I went of course. The restaurant was a bit empty because it was getting late.

This was going to be awkward. Then suddenly I saw somebody I really knew, almost an old friend, Eric Hooper, in a small party. It was coming late to port. I said in "Eric," said, "you must help me. I am the guest of Mackensen. Mackensen. The great Mackensen. He wants to play, and he wants an audience."

"What, now?" said Eric. "Come right up," I said. "He's pretty ancient. Can he still strike the note in the middle?"

"Well, the fact is," I began. Was Eric going to let me down too? I stared at the ceiling, looking over Eric's head—to keep my expression calm. As I started, a chandelier beyond slipped apart from itself and became two.

"The fact is that my host is a little bit tight."

The twofold chandelier became one again, but now chandelier, ceiling and all became united in one lazy graceful way, as soundless as the swing of the stars, and as smooth. I realised that it was I who was going—going quickly, and that I must act quickly.

This real intoxication had happened to me before, and recently. War, etc., no doubt; but it was not good for my job, not good for anything about me. Above all, I must not let my friends see my condition. Now was my chance to put into operation my "Plan B." It is for the man who feels himself going yet is still capable.

Plan B was simply this: leave, say goodbye, and leave. Leave quickly without rushing. But leave. And do not go back.

No. 185 Mrs Gathorne 8.15. Coffee.  
No. 188. Admiral and Mrs Halsey, 7.0. Full breakfast.

My scripts were still on that reception desk. What I had taken away was the call book, visitors' book and reception papers of the Belfort Hotel. It might have been worse. Five hundred and forty of the 600 rooms were occupied that night. Being Sunday, less than half the visitors had trains to catch.

No serious family crises were caused, I understand. But 50 wrong pairs of cleaned shoes were delivered, 500 incorrect kinds of breakfast, and 450 people were called at wrong, irritating, and in about 10 cases, disastrous times. But for mass irritation the thing was hard to beat.

Mackensen himself was two hours late for my rush rehearsal, although he helped all he could when he got there.

As a director and efficient organiser I took, I think, a very distinct knock; and in spite of my friend's motto, at least 500 of those, people remember to this day, and with absolute precision, that it was Stephen Potter who was the cause of their trouble.

I turned and carefully gathered up scripts and script-book. "And thank you, most awfully," I leaned over to the girl at the desk. "How helpful all you people have been."

The fresh air made me sway: I leaned in the doorway of the Midland Bank across the road. In spite of the black-out I seemed to see commotion and activity. Were they missing me? Should I go back? Do not go back. A porter hurried out, joined by a policeman. Some

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There are many rooms scattered throughout the house. A Prime Minister and his wife may choose from living quarters, Prime Minister Attlee and his family made a flat at the top of the building and lived there. Mrs Attlee seemed rather more taken by No. 10 since they left.

# NEW YORK PLAN TO COMBAT TEENAGE CRIME

By HARRISON HARDING

New York City has announced a \$1,250,000 plan to halt a wave of juvenile violence and plunder. And other cities in the United States may sit up and take notice. For last year one million American teenagers brushed with the law.

Interest has been focussed on youth crime—misleadingly called "juvenile delinquency"—by the heart-breaking, pointless murder on a lonely Bronx Street of student William Blankenship.

Frank ("Tarzan") Santana, 17, leader of the Navajos, one of countless armed street gangs which terrorise the neighbourhood, faces the electric chair for the killing.

He thought Blankenship was a member of a rival gang, the Golden Guineas. So he murdered him in front of his gang.

When arrested, Santana pushed out his chest and said: "You can't do this to me, I'm a prize-fighter."

## SHAME

The Federal Bureau of Investigation recently compiled statistics on crime in 1953. The vastness of the problem should have rocked every parent. But it didn't.

This was called "The Shame of America." Half of all burglaries were done by boys under 18.

Teenagers under 18 made up half of all people caught stealing cars.

Of all the rapes and assaults, boys under 18 committed about one in seven.

Of all drug addicts caught, one in six were under 21.

And, worst of all, one in seven of the murders were committed by teenagers under 18 years of age.

Those figures are rising with blood-chilling swiftness. Anguished parents, who receive stark calls from the

police telling them their sons have been arrested for beating up defenceless strollers, or their daughters for prostitution, are asking: "Why, why, why?"

Frank was such a good boy," said Santana's mother, echoing the refrain of all the parents of teenage gangsters.

Who is to blame?

The Rev. John Sutherland Bonnell, of Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, presented the popular point of view in a sermon: "You can't build a home based on a card table, a can opener, a cocktail shaker, and baby sitters. I say the parents are the delinquents."

## EXCUSE

Poverty and slums were the favourite excuse for youthful crime at one time. But ascetic-looking Jack Kosslow and burly Irving Mittleman who, with two younger companions, tortured helpless, ignorant teenagers into the East River to drown, came from middle-class families.

Television comes in for its share of the blame. In a recent survey of TV shows from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.—the hours most watched by the young—four stations in Washington, 20 per cent of the teleplays concerned crime and violence. Forty per cent of the shows aimed at child audiences stressed murder, violence, robbery and hate.

Of 100 million comics published here, 20 million are openly concerned with sadism, crime and horror. The message that evil always loses is neatly hidden in the last paragraph.

The films, while much better than TV, have provided one thing for the teenage criminals—the uniform. Every day, newspapers publish pictures of bands of toughs rounded up for crimes, ranging from window-breaking to murder.

Invariably, the youths are wearing black leather jackets, black jeans and gym shoes, the same uniform that Marlon Brando wore as the unthinking One of the film "The Wild One."

## IDEAS

Here is what a young boy in trouble wrote for a social worker:

"Movies has always excited me and I think I used to do my wrong things from them. I had a sepiather and he was always strict with me and disliked me a whole lot. I started running away and stealing for food and money."

"I got ideas from television, movies, radio, crime comics and newspapers. I would like to be put in a foster home."

"My life is half good and half bad, mostly bad. I can't blame my mother. She has gotten divorced from my father because he was an alcoholic."

"Teenagers of today are not the same as their fathers," said the report of a Senate investigating committee which spent months touring the country. "They are not just youths blowing off excess energy and sowing wild oats. Their hearts are bitter. Now they joyride in stolen cars, drink beer and benzedrine."

Partly to blame are pubs and stores that sell liquor to minors, and motels along suburban roads which don't care who they take in as long as the customer can pay.

Youths of today were better educated and more sophisticated than their parents, said the Senate report, but that didn't mean any better judgment.

## QUESTION

The question "who is to blame for youth crime and how do we stop it?" has touched off a national controversy.

It ranges between those who say "Spur the rod and spoil the child," and those who advocate a vast guidance programme.

"If a million persons came down with cholera in a year the public would be agast," said Herbert Brownell, chief of the U.S. Justice Department. "Juvenile delinquency is far worse than cholera."

Meanwhile the headlines said: "KILL FOR THRILLS, WHIPPED GIRLS—TWO TEEN THRILL KILLINGS CLIMAX PARK ORGIES—22 JUVENILES ARRESTED—IN GANG WAR, YOUTH CONFESES GIRL KILLING, RAGE—TEENAGERS HELD IN SCHOOL 'PILLAGE'—TEENAGE BOY RIPS UP SUBWAY—MOB DEAD, YOUR HUET—IN STOLEN CAR CRASH."

Whatever the cause, America, now apparently alerted, has a crusade on its hands. A crusade to stop tomorrow's criminals today.

## POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER



"In 1962 the train now standing at Platform 6 will be air-conditioned, radar-equipped and faster than sound, but tonight it will be running a little behind time!"

## DID IT REALLY HAPPEN?

YES NO

Put your tick in the space above and keep the card by you until tomorrow when the answer will be given—with another story in this series by...

EDWARD HYAMS

Did yesterday's story—The Crocodile and the Cannon, by Ed Hyams—actually happen? The answer: NO.

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When Sir Winston moved in he and Lady Churchill decided not to confine their living space to "the flat" the Atlases used.

The unpretentious black front door belies the considerable size of No. 10, with its 60 rooms, which serve as a medley of offices, state rooms, and Prime Minister's private apartments. There is a private branch telephone exchange operated by Post Office telephonists. A team of picked doorkeepers "man" the famous front door 24 hours a day. In addition there is a domestic staff, provided by the Ministry of Works, who leave but few worries for a Prime Minister's wife.

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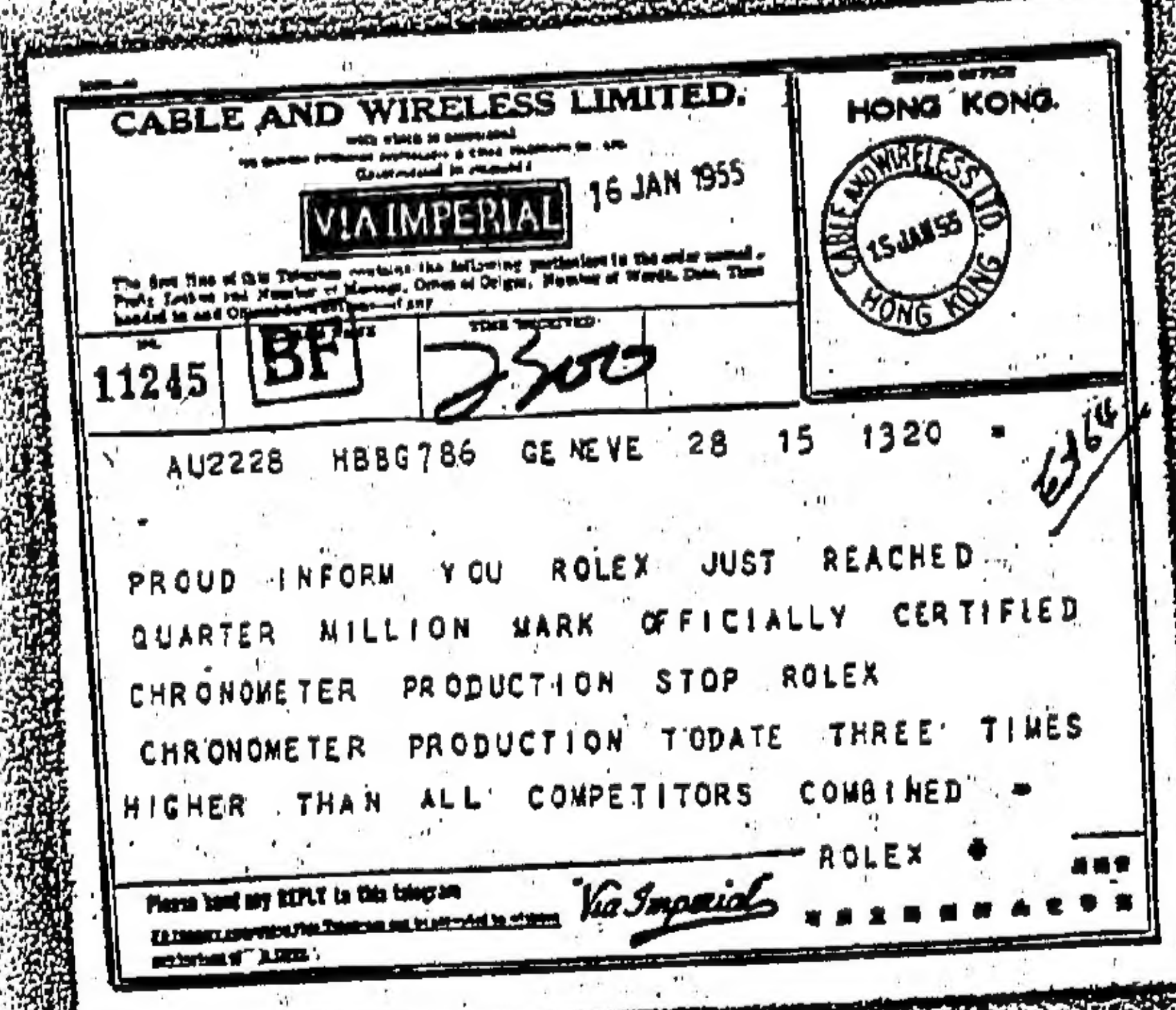
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## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Drawing Trumps Is Sometimes Wrong

By OSWALD JACOBY

WHAT is your first move when you are playing a hand at a trump contract? If you are the average experienced player, your first move is to draw trumps.

This isn't a bad general idea, as general ideas go. There are, however, hands on which you shouldn't draw trumps. Today's hand, as we shall see, falls into that category.

West opened the three of spades and declarer won. South took the precaution of counting his tricks before he made another move. In the side suits he could win two clubs, one diamond, and one easily established heart. Those tricks came to a total of only four, so that declarer needed six trump tricks to make his contract.

How do you make six trump tricks when you have only four trumps in each hand? That's easy. You must ruff at least twice in the dummy and make four natural trump tricks in your own hand, or you must ruff at least twice in your own hand

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♥ K Q 8 8 3			
♦ A 8 2			
♣ K 9 2			
WEST			
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♥ A 10 7 4			
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♣ A 8 4 3			
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and then make four natural trump tricks in the dummy. Either method will work, but in either case you can't afford to draw more than two rounds of trumps.

Since this was quite clear to South, he led his singleton heart at the second trick instead of drawing any more trumps. East captured dummy's king with the ace of hearts and returned a second trump. This didn't hurt declarer, but if he had drawn a second trump himself, East would have led a third round of trumps, and that would have done some damage.

Declarer led the second trump ride around to dummy, cashed the queen of hearts and the other top cards, and then began to cross-ruff. It was easy to make the six trump tricks, and South therefore made his contract.

The contract wouldn't be so easy if South drew three rounds of trumps as his first move. He would then be able to ruff only once in the dummy, for the top of five trump tricks. That would give him nine tricks in all, and the tenth trick would be very, very hard to find.

## BY THE WAY

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by Beachcomber

In Egypt's land, contagious to the Nile, Old Pharaoh's daughter went to bathe in style. She took her dip and came unto the land.

And for to dry her royal pet she ran along the strand. A bullrush tripped her, whereupon she saw

A smiling baby in a wad of straw. She took it up, and said in accents mild:

"Tare-an-ogee, girl! Which of you owns the child? Which of you owns the child?"

Thus sang the blind ballad-singer Michael Moran of Fiddle Alley, in Dublin, more than a hundred years ago.

Prologue: Why all this? Myself: A whim. A caprice. A desire to sing a little today. Tell me, good Prologue, did you ever sing?

Prologue: Once. It was a "duet" called "No Earthly Joy," a "great favourite with my Aunt."

Myself: Why only once? Prologue: It made me feel sick. I couldn't swallow for three days. I am not musical by nature.

Prelude to a holiday (3) "TRAIN-SICKNESS," muttered the portly awager, who heard, outside her compartment, the call for brandy.

From her travelling-case she took a horribly embossed flask which in days gone by had lightened the boredom of the hunting-field. Foulmouthe took a hefty swig—if I may so express myself—and, at the harriard's pressing invitation, a second, and heifer swig.

She who had seen some pretty frenzied drinking in her day, and feared a third onslaught on the flask, recovered it from the reluctant invalid, and he thanked her huskily and went on his way. A schoolmaster with five pupils was the next to

hear the pitiful appeal. "I'm afraid I have no brandy," he said. "For would I have Foulmouthe? 'Whiskey, then?' said the feeble voice. No go, Foulmouthe proceeded towards the first of the third-class coaches. "From now on," he muttered, "I'll be lucky if it's flat beer."

The Suet Poll MRS. MULTITUDE'S team of experts announced last night that a Suet Poll showed that 41 1/2 per cent of the floating votes in marginal constituencies might be determined by a decision to vote for one or other of the candidates in each constituency. Taking one typical constituency, the experts found that of the 38 per cent who said they didn't know, 17 per cent said they hoped to know more on. Of the remainder 21 1/2 per cent said that they did not know whether they would ever know or not.

Chess Problem By L. SCOTT Black, 6 pieces.

White, 7 pieces. White to play; mate in three. Solution to yesterday's problem.

1. Kt-B5, any; 2. Q, R, B, or Kt mates.

CROSSWORD

Across 1. Recognise exactly a 400-point in a club. (11) 2. They make music in the wind section. (5) 3. Garmen and Alida for which in days gone by had lightened the boredom of the hunting-field. (10) 4. A bullrush tripped her, whereupon she saw

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## Colourful Beach Ensemble



Nina Ricci presents this smart beach outfit in blue and white striped cotton. The model is carrying a scarlet bag to achieve a colourful contrast.—Agence France-Press.

## New Version Of Chicken Salad Served With Tomato Aspic

CREAM Tomato Aspic with Chicken Salad is an excellent dish for luncheon. The following recipe will serve 8.

Take 2 c. from 4 c. tomato juice and simmer with 2 bay leaves, 4 peppercorns, 1/2 tsp. each onion salt and celery salt, 1/2 tsp. pepper, 1/4 tsp. salt and 1/2 tsp. oregano. Strain.

Soften 3 env. plain gelatin in 1/2 c. of the cold tomato juice, and dissolve in seasoned hot tomato juice. Cool to lukewarm.

Mash 2 3-oz. packages cream cheese and blend in the rest of the cold tomato juice.

Combine the two mixtures. Chill until mixture begins to thicken. Fold in 1 c. heavy cream whipped. Turn into ring mould that has been rinsed out in cold water and chill until firm.

Unmould onto platter and garnish with salad greens. Fill centre with chicken salad, your own favourite or the following new version.

Sprinkle juice of one lemon over 2 c. diced cooked chicken. Combine 1/2 c. diced apple. Toss lightly. Add 2 chopped hard-boiled eggs, 1 c. diced celery and 1/4 c. chopped toasted almonds to chicken. Blend 1/3 c. mayonnaise with 1/2 tsp. salt,

dash pepper and 1/2 tsp. sweet basil. Fold into chicken. Place in centre of aspic ring.

For a hot dish, you might like these tasty stuffed pork chops: To serve 4, buy 4 double loin pork chops and have a pocket cut in each.

Saute 1/4 c. minced onion in 2 tsp. butter. Add 1/4 c. finely diced mushrooms, 3/4 c. dried parsley flakes and 1/4 c. toasted bread crumbs, blending well. Beat one egg and add 1/4 tsp. salt, dash pepper, 1/2 tsp. powdered thyme and 1/2 tsp. caraway seed. Combine with crumb mixture.

Stuff into pockets of chops. Fasten edges with toothpicks or small skewers, and lace closed with string.

Brown chops on each side in buttered frying pan. Add 3 tsp. water. Cover pan and simmer gently until chops are tender—about 1 hr.

Gravy may be made from juice in pan.

Ever solve the dessert problem with dessert pancakes? These should be little and thin, with some chopped nuts mixed in the batter. Serve with warm honey, flavoured with a little anise or powdered ginger.

—ALICE DENHOFF

## Exercises To Trim Down Padded Hips

BY IDA JEAN KAIN

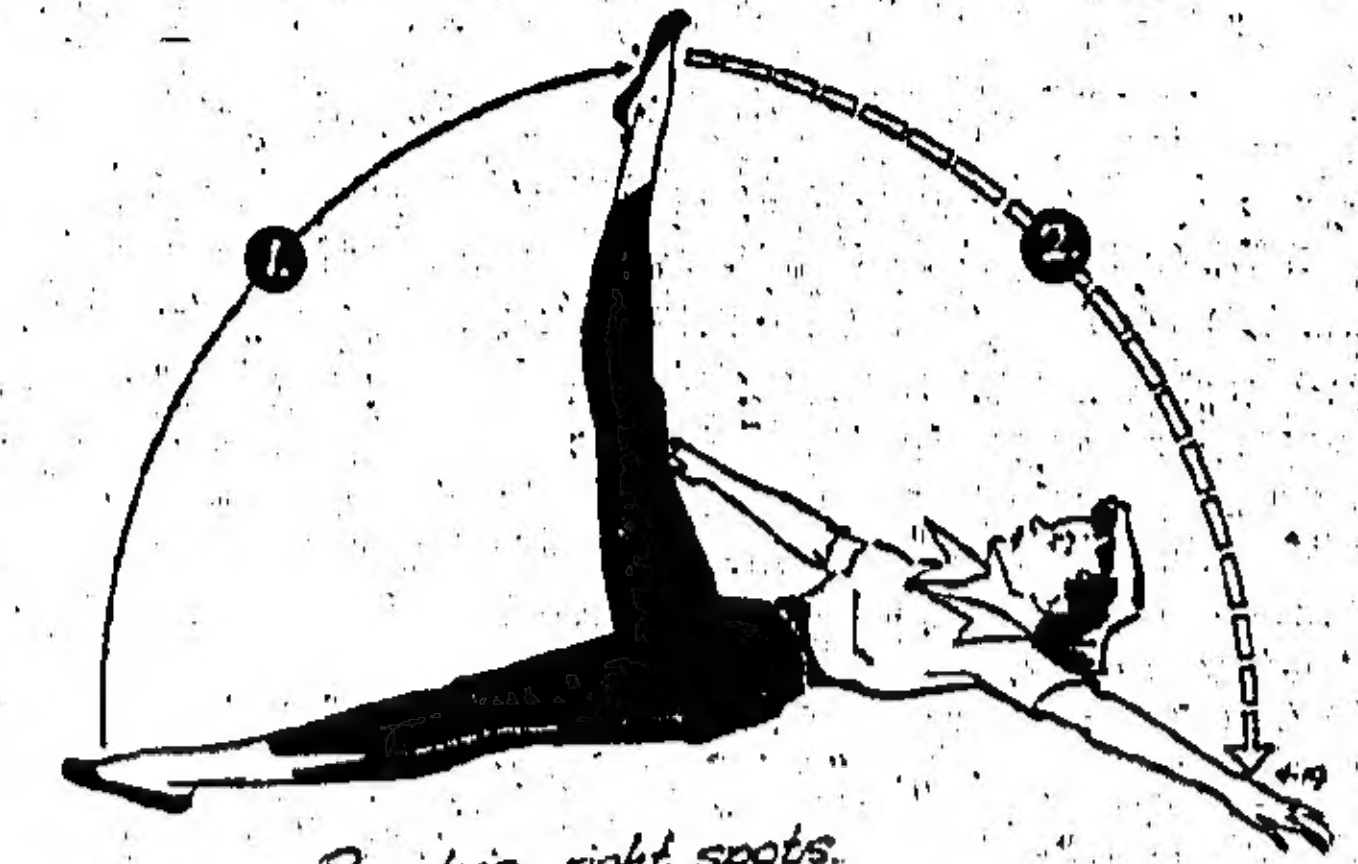
TIME and again, overweight ask why a weight gain of 10 or 15 pounds all piles on one spot—largely around the hips which bulge out of all proportion to other measurements. Then follows the big question: . . . will reducing slim the fat off the hips?

With a little manoeuvring . . . yes. The situation is this—we pretty much inherit the general proportions of our individual figures. That's not to say that overweight is obligatory, but the pattern of fat distribution governing body build is handed along with the limbs of the family tree.

And here's the dilemma: wherever the figure is by nature inclined to plumpness, there the fat padding goes. That's why for some overweight 10 extra pounds loom large as twenty, all on the hips.

But hold on . . . only overeating can pile pounds on the hips or any other place. And the way to trim down is to cut the calorie intake below the daily energy requirements.

Ah, but will the weight come off the hips? That is where exercise fits in. While there is no guarantee exercise will cause the system to use fat more quickly from one area of the figure than from another, still exercise stirs up the fat cells and makes them ready for use. One thing is sure: precision exercise will tone and tighten flabby muscles, and, combined with a



Reaches right spots.

slimming diet, can give a woman a million dollar figure. So on with the hip slimming exercises.

Position: Lying on back on floor, arms out at sides, shoulder level, legs straight down.

Movement: Bend right knee toward chest and twisting gently at the waist, touch knee point to floor at left side of waist. Slide leg down on floor again, bend the opposite leg and touch knee leg to right angles first, for this point to the floor at the left side of waist. Continue 6 to 10

## Famous Designer On

## The Basic Wardrobe Of A Well-Dressed Woman

Hollywood. WOMEN don't need the bulging bank book of a movie queen to dress as smartly as one, Don Loper, the reigning designer for the film stars, declared.

A budget of \$200 to \$500 is enough, he said.

The couturier is famous for whipping up exotic creations costing from \$200 to \$2,000 for such luminaries as Dinah Shore, Joan Crawford and Lucille Ball. Yet get Loper out of hearing of his rich customers and he will tell you, "good taste can be had for any price."

Patent leather belt and shoes give the black dress a spring touch. The tweed jacket over the dress makes it a casual outfit.

3. A full-skirted black peau de soi or chiffon short evening dress. It should be low cut but with a button-up short jacket.

4. A rough wool or broad-cloth coat with a full cut so it can fit over both narrow and full skirts.

5. A black cashmere sweater to wear with the tweed skirt plus the mink collar and cuffs for another cocktail outfit.

Shoes should be plain black pumps only, insists Loper. Inexpensive small hat-bar hats are approved by the famed designer. For housewives, add cotton house dresses; for career girls, add plain skirts and blouses for the office.

"And you have a basic wardrobe—this is all a woman needs," declared Loper. "You can buy all that (or have it made) for \$200 or \$500, depending on the fabrics."—United Press.

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## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

## All About the Circus

—Everyone Explained to Teddy Why It Is Fun—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF the shadow-boy with the turned-about name, burst into the room with the news: "The circus has come to town!"

Everyone smiled. General Tin, the Tin Soldier said: "This is the best news I've heard all winter."

Natural Preference Mary-Jane, the Rag Doll said, "I'd rather go to the circus than to eat two apple pies with ice cream." This sounded very good but everyone knew that Mary-Jane never ate apple pie or ice cream, being, as we said, only a rag doll.

Mr. Punch, who was the husband of Judy and the oldest one in the Playroom, said cheerfully: "If I had the money, I'd invite you all to see the circus free of charge as my guest."

They sounded very good too, except that everyone knew that Mr. Punch had no money and never would get any.

Teddy the Stuffed Bear was the only one who didn't seem cheerful.

"I've never been to a circus," he explained. "I don't know what it is."

He took Knarf and General Tin and Mary-Jane and Mr. Punch the rest of the afternoon to describe to Teddy exactly what a circus was and why everyone loved it so much.

"There are clowns," said Knarf. "They make everyone laugh."

Teddy the Stuffed Bear said: "I'd like clowns."

"There are magicians," said Mary-Jane. "They wear high hats and coats with red linings. They wave a wand and rabbits and chickens . . . and even cows and goats come out of the air. They throw cards in the air and the cards disappear. They do wonderful tricks."

"I'd like circus-magicians," said Teddy.

"There are three big rings under the circus-tent," said General Tin. "Horses run around the rings, prancing and galloping. While girls stand on their backs. A riding master stands in the middle of each ring and cracks a long whip."

"I'd like horses and ring masters, too," said Teddy the Stuffed Bear.

"There are acrobats and the tumblers and especially the ones who swing on the trapezes are the best fun of all," said Mr. Punch. "The acrobats stand on their heads and lift each other up. The tumblers do back-flips and somersaults."

"If they're going to hurt themselves but the never do. The trapeze-artists swing on swings high up in the air. They catch each other by the arms and legs. Sometimes they fall but they never hurt themselves. Either they always fall into big nets."

"I'm sure I'd like them all," said Teddy.

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## POSTAL MATCH

## David Wong Wins Rifle Gold Medal

Hongkong's David Wong gained the Gold Medal for the "high gun" in the Triangular Interport Smallbore Rifle Postal Competition, with his 398 in the Prone Rifle event to lead the top marksmen from the Philippines, Japan and Hongkong.

This magnificent performance softened the blow to the Colony's hopes of winning this event, which was captured by the sharpshooters from the Philippines, whose total team aggregate topped Hongkong's score by a meagre five points — 1974 to Hongkong's 1969. Japan trailed 20 points behind.

Japanese crack shots however, came back strongly in the Free Pistol and Three Position Rifle events to take both titles with totals of 2560 pts and 5247 pts respectively, and also gained individual Gold Medals in both events. Japan's Kawakita with 527 pts won the Free Pistol title and Okada, with 1092, easily annexed the Three Position Rifle title.

Apart from the fine victory by David Wong, Hongkong finished second in both the Prone Rifle and the Pistol events and with more serious practice and better equipment will be counted serious contenders to the crown in the next Asian Games and future interports.

Apart from the one Gold Medal gained, Wm K. Y. Eu (499) also earned a bronze medal in the Free Pistol shoot, and Henry Souza (395) has tied for a fifth place bronze medal with Sequa of Manila, the result depending on the counting of 8's of which Souza possesses 22, which should be sufficient to make it a close decision.

**INTERPORT SCORES**  
The following are the scores received by cable from Manila and Japan:

Prone Rifle: 1. Philippines 1974; 2. Hongkong 1969; 3. Japan 1949.

Free Pistol: 1. Japan 2560; 2. Hongkong 2373; 3. Philippines 2253.

Three Position Rifle: 1. Japan 5247; 2. Philippines 5125; 3. Hongkong 4812.

**MEDAL WINNERS**  
Prone Rifle: 1. David Wong (HK) 398; 2. Jaramilla (PI) 397; 3. Bengzon (PI) 396; 4. Gotauco (PI) 396; 5. H. A. Souza (HK) or Sequa (PI) 395.

Free Pistol: 1. Kawakita (J) 527; 2. Hosaka (J) 521; 3. Matsumoto (J) 518; 4. Ozawa (J) 509; 5. Wm. K. Y. Eu (HK) 499.

Three Position Rifle: 1. Okada (J) 1092; 2. Narayama (J) 1076; 3. Lee (PI) 1068; 4. Bengzon (PI) 1055; Gotauco (PI) 1040.

**GODART WINS MARATHON WALK**  
Paris, May 30.

Louis Godart today won the 325-odd-mile long Marathon road walk from Strasbourg to Paris at an average speed of 7.26 kilometres per hour (over four and a half miles per hour).

The French walker covered the total distance of 520 kilometres in 71 hours and 26 minutes.—France-Press.

## MOTOR CYCLE SPEEDSTER

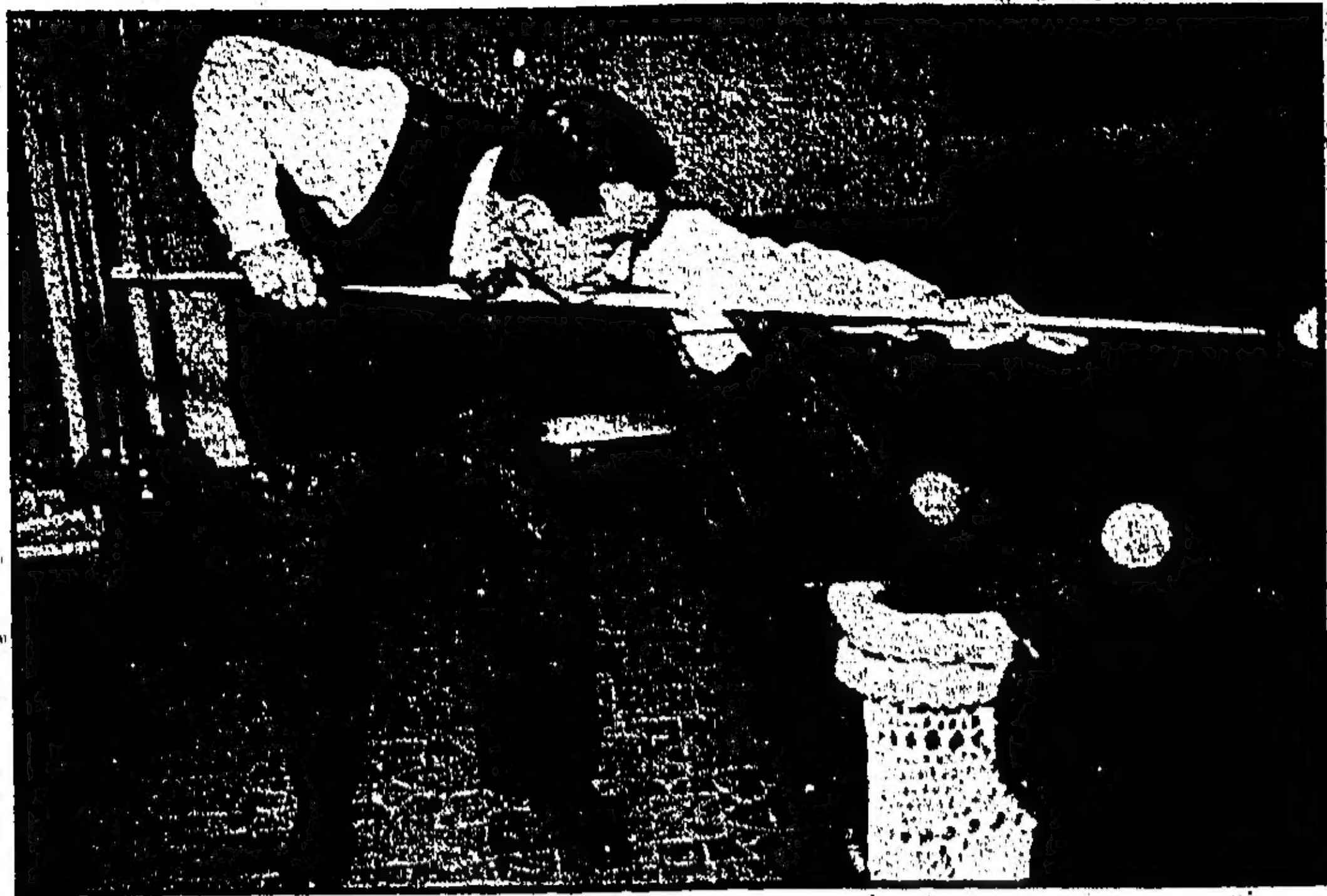


21-year-old John Surtess, of Oxford, London, the No. 1 rider for the Norton motor cycle team, who is rapidly making a name for himself in the motor cycle racing world.

He first raced at the age of 15, as a passenger for his father, a veteran of 30 years of motor cycle racing, but has only recently come to the front where he is now challenging Geoff Duke. Surtess leaves this week for the Isle of Man to practise for the T.T. races, which will be held there next month.

—Central Press Photo.

## TAKE YOUR CUE FROM HORACE LINDRUM



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## Even Experts Will Pick The Wrong Horse In A Photo Finish

Says "ALL-ROUNDER"

Flat racing so far this year has been notable for a spate of close finishes in which the judge has called for a look at the evidence provided by the photo-finish camera. Even experts can be wrong, as was proved at the Epsom Spring meeting when there was such a close finish in one race that fierce betting ensued on what the camera would show.

The professionals in Tatts eagerly laid the bookmakers £100 to win £10 "for expenses," the other horse concerned in the finish being offered up to as much as 8 to 1 against. They received a shock when the camera showed the horse they thought for a certainty had won had in fact clearly been beaten by a nose.

The trouble here was that the professionals watching the finish on the line had been misled by the position of the jockeys. The losing jockey was on a shorter horse and was positioned slightly in front of the other jockey on a longer mount as they raced past the post neck and neck.

The camera showed the losing jockey positioned well in front of the other rider, but the nose of his mount was just short of the longer horse's hip.

Racing history shows that the camera would have settled many a famous close finish which still provides occasion for argument and reversed the fortunes of quite a few.

There was, for instance, the 1913 Two Thousand Guineas which Craganour was thought to be most unlikely to lose. His rider dropped his hands as the horse was in a slight lead nearing the winning post, but the judge decreed that Craganour was the post to win. Even then the trainer of Louvois thought Craganour had just held on to his lead.

## WHAT'S IN A NAME?

They take their minor league cricket very seriously, up in Lancashire, some more so than in the Central Lancashire League where the standard of cricket is very high. It ought to be, judging from the talent they manage to recruit season after season.

Nine of the 14 clubs in the League have already engaged professional, three of whom will be seen as old rivals in new colours. This season's newcomers will be "mouthing" tongue-twisting names of new signings and soon Alimuddin, Mirs Lal Vohra, Dhanawade and Asgarali will be household words in these cricketing circles.

It has happened before with such names as Mankad, Phadkar, Ramadhin, etc. These cricketers from overseas are all highly recommended and are hopeful of emulating the splendid performances of such legends as Ramadhin and John Reid. The League Champions, Crompton, and the Heywood club did their best to retain these two players, but both have since made good replacements. Already well experienced in the League game, Gul Mahomed, who plays with such zest, takes over at Crompton, while at Heywood Reid is succeeded by Alimuddin, whose Test cricket record justifies so worthy a choice.

Better days at Pollards are hoped for Oldham with the former Worneth star, Polly Umrigar, to assist them, and the same may be said for Werneth where Ahy Abraham, of Pakistan, replaces Bob Bartels. At Milnrow, Hira Lal Vohra takes the place of "Dusty" Rhodes. His record in India marks him as a successful and consistent all-rounder.

Rochdale's new professional is Dattu Phadkar. They look like creating a stir this season, for Ken Smith is back with them after a two-year term as Farnworth professional, as well as the Rochdale Soccer player, Carl Symonds. These strong to the real world to cricket. Of this fine League would do well to reflect that "Typhoon" Tyson, Brian Statham, and Keith Andrews were Central Lancashire League boys.

## Check Up On Your Play

I have enjoyed writing this series of articles for you. The letters I have received suggest that they have helped many readers to understand and attempt shots which previously presented some difficulties.

In this last article for this season, I think it would be a good idea to summarise some of the principal points covered.

The theme throughout has been cue-ball control; and your play will only command this control if you have the ability to perform each and every one of the various strokes and know when to apply them.

The important thing is to understand fully what has to be done from the moment you first pick up a cue. Knowledge of fundamentals is half the battle won, when it comes to putting the strokes into practical effect.

Start the game right with a cue to your liking. It is only really to your liking when you hold it and wield it as if it was a part of you. It doesn't and there; you must also feel comfortable when using the other implements—the rest, spider, long-butt and the half-butt. They are all part of the game and mustn't be rejected because you find them awkward or clumsy. Learn to use them with ease.

Stand right, with feet apart and the left foot further forward and bearing a little more weight. Trunk well down over the cue, with bridge-arm in line with your shoulder, and chin down so that the sighting is right along the cue. All movements must be controlled but made easily and comfortably. For the ordinary bridge-hand, the thick part of the hand, including the base of the thumb, is pressed down on the table. The fingers are spread fan-wise and drawn up with the thumb raised against the first finger.

**ADJUST YOUR PLAY**  
Can you describe the various strokes, the use of "side" and "spin"? Do you understand the effect of the cue-ball played with and against the nap of the cloth or on a turned cloth? What of the table and the type of cushions? Can you quickly adjust your play to meet the conditions of a strange table?

Ask yourself these questions and brush up on your faults now. Don't wait until there's a week to go before your next season's tournament. That is definitely not the time to start correcting your faults.

When applying "side" the action is the same as for ordinary strokes. Cue is kept absolutely straight, the aim is slightly lower than for central contact shots, but the cue-tip is directed to the right or left edge of the cue-ball according to the "side" you need for the particular shot.

For the "screw" shot, the grip on the butt of the cue is slightly shorter than for normal strokes. The looped bridge-hand is adopted when the cue-ball is close to an object-ball to enable you to have more control over the "screw". The ball is struck as low as possible and the cue goes through smoothly. Avoid the jerky action. To "spin" a ball, the grip on the butt of the cue must be firm. The cue-ball is struck below centre, but not so low as for the "screw". Don't jerk back on the stroke.

The "swerve" demands a raised bridge-hand, with only the finger-tips pressed firmly on the table. The aim on the cue-ball is low, with tip pointing downwards on the side required.

**ADVANCED STROKES**  
In the category of more advanced strokes, we have the "masse" and the "jump" shots.

For the former, the cue is held vertically, with a shortened clenched grip on the cue. The bridge-hand is raised to the finger tips, the forefinger curled under the thumb and the cue is guided between the thumb and the base of the forefinger.

The bridge-hand is almost the same for the "jump" stroke. The butt end of the cue is raised high, and it is a downward contact on the cue-ball. The scooped-up action should be avoided as this can damage the cloth.

Only an extensive study of the strokes will enable you to improve your standard of play. Begin right, and gradually acquire a thorough knowledge of all the various combinations which are likely to arise in the course of a game of snooker. The more you understand and are able to put into practical use, the better your defence against your opponents in competitive games.

Good luck!

**P.I. AVERT DEFEAT IN DAVIS CUP**  
Tokyo, May 30.

The Philippines today averted defeat in the Eastern Zone Davis Cup tennis final here by defeating Japan in straight sets in the doubles match.

Playing a brilliant game Felisimo Ampon and Haymundo Deyto of the Philippines beat Japan's Atsugi Miyagi and Kama 6-3, 6-2.

The two Japanese players had beaten the two Filipinos in singles matches on Saturday.

Two singles matches will be played tomorrow. The Filipinos were on the offensive from the start. Showing greatly improved form since last Saturday they played almost faultless tennis.

Miyagi and Kama seemed ruffled and threw away many points by netting and driving out of court.—Reuter.

**BABE ZAHARIAS CANCELS ALL COMMITMENTS**  
Beaumont, Texas, May 30.

Mrs Babe Zaharias, U.S. Women's Open Golf Champion, announced today that she was cancelling her commitments, including her scheduled appearance on June 4 at National Golf Day in San Francisco, until an injured back and leg respond to treatment.

Mrs Zaharias said she believed she hurt her back and leg while on a recent fishing trip with several other women golfers as they attempted to push a stuck car out of some sand.

She said she was withdrawing from the San Francisco event regretfully, but upon the advice of her doctor. She added that the back and leg had not responded to treatment as quickly as she had hoped. She has been taking daily therapy treatments at a hospital while staying at the home of her sister, Mrs O. B. Grimes.—United Press.

**ENGLAND WIN "GREGORY CUP"**  
Copenhagen, May 30.

The All England Lawn Tennis Club won the Gregory Cup here today for the fifth time since its inception in 1947.

The English team drew 3-3 with the Oslo Lawn Tennis Club today in the decisive match but lost fewer sets than their opponents.

Clubs from Sweden and Denmark also took part in the competition.—China Mail Special.

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## Defending Champion Killed In Speedway Race At Indianapolis

Indianapolis, Indiana, May 30.

Bob Sweikert, who never before was in the money, roared to victory in his salmon-pink car today as the tragic death of two-time winner Bill Vukovich in a five-car pile-up marred the 39th renewal of the annual speedway race.

Sweikert's speed was 128.209 mph, the slowest for the distance since Bill Holland got the checkered flag in 1949 at 121.327. The yellow light, on for more than 27 minutes during the five-car pile-up, slowed the pace.

Sweikert, 29, moved in from two after 160 laps and his two closest rivals, Art Cross and Don Freeland, both dropped out shortly thereafter with mechanical difficulties.

But much of the glamour of the finish disappeared when the defending champion, Vukovich, who had led the race for 50 laps, crashed to an amazing death after 68 laps. His car smashed into the wreckage of cars driven by Rodger Ward, Ed Elisian, Johnny Boyd and Al Keller.

After the collision, it flew into the air, bounced twice, and then went over the outside wall to hit a passenger car, a truck and a jeep. The car turned over in flames and Vukovich was dead.

Tony Bettenhausen of Tinley Park, Illinois, was second. Third place was won by Jimmy Davies of Paedoma, California, and fourth by Johnny Thomson of Springfield, Massachusetts.—United Press.

None of the other drivers was hurt seriously, nor were two safety patrolmen and a civilian, touched lightly by the race car. Agabashian also escaped death. Agabashian went into the infield and walked away. Niday hit the wall, then went into the infield and was hospitalized with burns and head injuries.



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**BAGGAGE:** Passengers are requested to send  
ALL BAGGAGE to the Hongkong &  
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**SPECIAL NOTE:** With the exception of hand packages  
carried by passengers themselves,  
ALL BAGGAGE must pass through  
the Wharf Co.'s Godown for loading  
on board by ship's slings only.

**EMBARKATION:** Passengers should embark between  
9.30 and 11.00 a.m. on Friday, 3rd  
June, 1955.

## TRANSATLANTIC PHONE Century-Old Dream Will Be Realised Next Year

London, May 30.

British and American telephone engineers  
have their eyes fixed on Christmas 1956 when  
they hope to realise a century-old dream of  
talking across the Atlantic by cable instead of by  
the present radio telephone, which is subject to  
costly atmospheric interference.

December 1, 1956, is the date which they  
have set themselves to complete the first  
£12,500,000 sterling trans-Atlantic telephone  
cable project, replacing the radio telephone system.

They are proceeding with  
extreme caution in the manu-  
facture of the equipment, de-  
signed to last 20 years. For  
they do not want to have to be  
pulling cable lines back up from  
ocean depths of more than two  
miles.

If all goes well, by the end  
of next year, anyone in Europe  
will be able to wish anyone in  
North America "A Merry Christ-  
mas" without having to shout  
through disrupting crackles and  
bad fading.

For the £5,000,000 sterling  
cable, running nearly 2,000 miles  
from London to New York and  
Montreal, is designed to carry  
the voice as clearly and steadily  
as an ordinary inland call be-  
tween two towns 40 miles apart.

### EXTENDED

From the London end, calls  
may be extended to any part of  
Britain and, by cross-channel  
cables, to any city in Europe;  
and from New York and Mon-  
treal, to any part of the North  
American continent.

In addition, telegrams will be  
able to travel on the Australia  
and New Zealand from Mon-  
treal via Vancouver and existing  
telegraph lines under the Pacific.

Present overseas telephone  
calls are carried on only 16  
radio telephone circuits, which  
are always subject to fading.  
Last year, traffic reached a post-  
war peak of 10,000 calls. But  
the number of circuits cannot be  
increased because not enough  
wave-lengths are available.

The new cable will have 35  
high quality telephone circuits,  
29 to New York and six to Mon-  
treal. One New York circuit will  
be divided into at least 18 tele-  
graph channels, for use mainly  
to Canada.

The first of the cable's three  
sections will be laid in June this  
year. It will run about 350  
miles from Sydney Mines, Nova  
Scotia, to Chatham, New  
foundland. The British 380-mile  
end-section will link London  
with the town of Oban, on the  
northwest coast of Scotland.

### ANXIOUS MONTH

August will be an anxious  
month for the engineers for  
then the first of the twin cross-  
ocean cable lines, one for each  
direction of traffic, is due to be  
laid. The second will go down  
next summer.

This middle section, with the  
longest submarine cables in the  
world, will stretch across the  
alternating mud, gravel, ooze  
and volcanic rock of the "moun-  
tainous" Atlantic ocean bed.

The ticklish job will be done  
by the British ship Monarch  
(8,056 tons), the world's largest  
cable-laying vessel, which has  
been refitted for its task.

Travelling at an even seven  
knots, given good weather, the  
Monarch will pay out 1,950  
nautical miles of cable in 12  
days.

Atlantic storms can only delay  
the work and do not worry  
engineers as much as they used to  
from the Caribbean towards the end  
of August and early September.  
If the Monarch ran into one  
of these, the cable would prob-  
ably have to be cut and picked  
up again later, according to a  
British Telecommunications  
spokesman. It might set the  
project back months.

The chief problem which has  
blocked the project ever since  
1864 when the first successful  
trans-Atlantic cable for tele-  
graphs was laid, is not the  
cable-laying, but the develop-  
ment of a deep-sea repeater.

This is a device which "boosts"  
sound on a long cable by am-  
plifying it at regular intervals. It  
is needed to strengthen the wide  
modulations of the human  
voice.

### 52 REPEATERS

Fifty-two of these repeaters,  
made to withstand pressures of  
three tons per square inch, will  
be spliced into the cable every  
21 nautical miles. They are  
beginning to arrive from  
America now.

A spokesman says that there  
are now no big obstacles to  
hinder the Atlantic project.  
But he adds, "Just the same,  
when we finally hear these  
voices, we're all going to  
celebrate!" - China Mail Special.

## Mail Notices

The latest times of posting  
shown below are those for un-  
registered correspondence posted  
at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest  
posting times elsewhere which,  
in general, are earlier than the  
G.P.O. times can be ascertained  
by enquiry at the local office.  
The latest posting times for  
registered articles are generally  
one hour earlier than the times  
shown below. Particulars regard-  
ing parcel mails can be ascer-  
tained by enquiry at any post office.  
Commanding tomorrow, the  
following postage rates and fees  
shall take effect: Airmails (air  
letter form) - 50 cts. each.  
Second class airmail (Zone 2)  
- 65 cts. per 1/2 oz. Postcards (air-  
mail zone 2) - 45 cts. each and  
Registration fee - 40 cts. each.

### TUESDAY, MAY 31

By Air  
Philippines, 6 p.m.  
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle  
East, O. Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.  
Korea, 6 p.m.  
Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.  
Japan, 6 p.m.  
Yokohama, Okinawa, 6 p.m.  
Macao, 6 p.m.  
By Surface  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

By Air  
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Aus-  
tralia, New Zealand, Ceylon, Mauri-  
tius, South Africa, 9 a.m.  
Thailand, 2 p.m.  
Yokohama, 6 p.m.  
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle  
East, O. Britain, Europe, 6 p.m.  
Japan, 6 p.m.  
Yokohama, 6 p.m.  
Macao, 6 p.m.  
By Surface  
China, People's Republic, 9.30 a.m.  
Japan, noon.  
Macao, 2 p.m.  
Indonesia, 2 p.m.  
Macao, 6 p.m.

## 29th Arrest

Lyons, May 30.

A deaf mute, Leon Chaine,  
aged 58 who said he had no  
job and no fixed residence, was  
arrested here today for the 29th  
time, for theft.

Courthouse circles said he  
had become a familiar figure  
there, as he had already been  
convicted 28 times. - France-  
Presse.

### Dartmouth, May 30.

The Dartmouth Nova Scotia  
Town Planning Board reported  
today that some of its mail to  
residents of Pleasant Street had  
gone astray because the homes  
were wrongly numbered.  
The Board said it was doubly  
frustrating because that was  
what it was trying to tell the  
people in the letters. - China  
Mail Special.

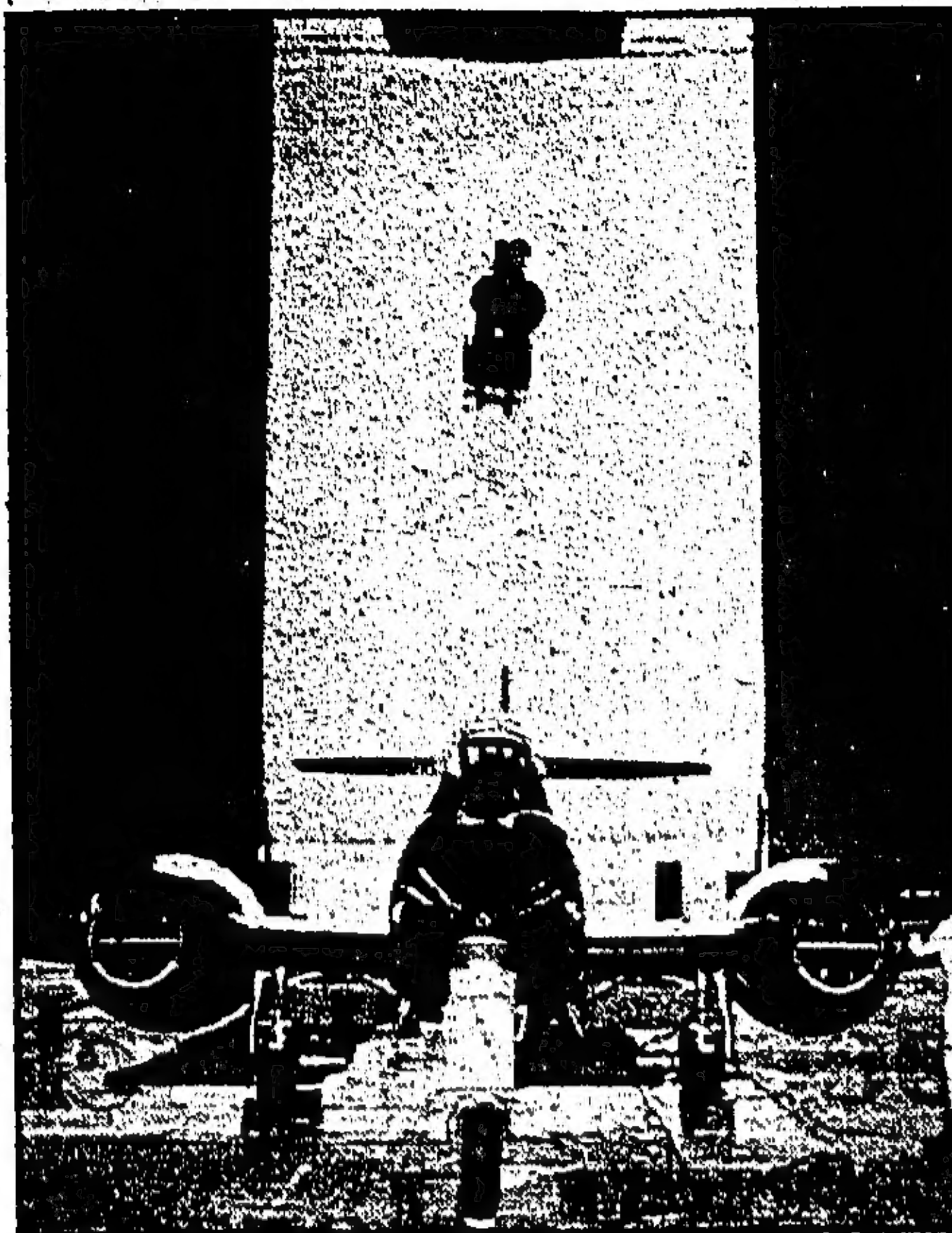
# Great Britain's Bid For DC3 Replacement Market

London, May 30.

British aircraft manufacturers are making  
determined attempts to solve one of the biggest of  
current feeder airline problems—the replacement  
of the DC3.

Many of the world's airlines operating  
short to medium routes are using DC3s, some of  
which have now flown more than 40,000 hours.

Above all its other qualities, the DC3 or its Service  
variant the Dakota, has been available at artificially  
low prices, going down after the War to a very few  
hundred pounds sterling.



## POPE HOLDS AUDIENCE

Vatican City, May 30.

Pope Plus XII discussed the  
drive for a United Europe  
today in a 15-minute audience  
with French Foreign Minister  
M. Antoine Pinay.

The 79-year-old Roman  
Catholic leader received M.  
Pinay in private audience for  
15 minutes and, M. Pinay  
confirmed they discussed  
European integration. The Pope  
feels the nations of Western  
Europe should speed their  
efforts toward full unity.

The Pope, in good health,  
yesterday received 1,500 persons  
including 800 bank workers in  
his first general audience since  
his collapse last December 2,  
almost seven months ago. -  
United Press.

Leaving a Meteor fighter at  
Cardington RAF Station is a  
dummy in the "ejector seat"  
of the machine. It is part of  
rehearsals for the RAF Dis-  
play in the Royal Tournament  
at Epsom Court in London. -  
Reutersphoto.

## Strange Accident Proves Fatal

Burlingame Calif., May 30.

James Schatz, 48-year-old San  
Bruno upholsterer, died at a  
hospital today from the effects  
of swallowing a mouthful of  
tacks.

Schatz gulped the tacks down  
last week when he tumbled over  
backward while working. He  
was unable to undergo an emer-  
gency operation because of a  
skull fracture suffered in the  
fall.

Physicians said tacks were  
lodged in the victim's stomach,  
throat and lungs. - United Press.

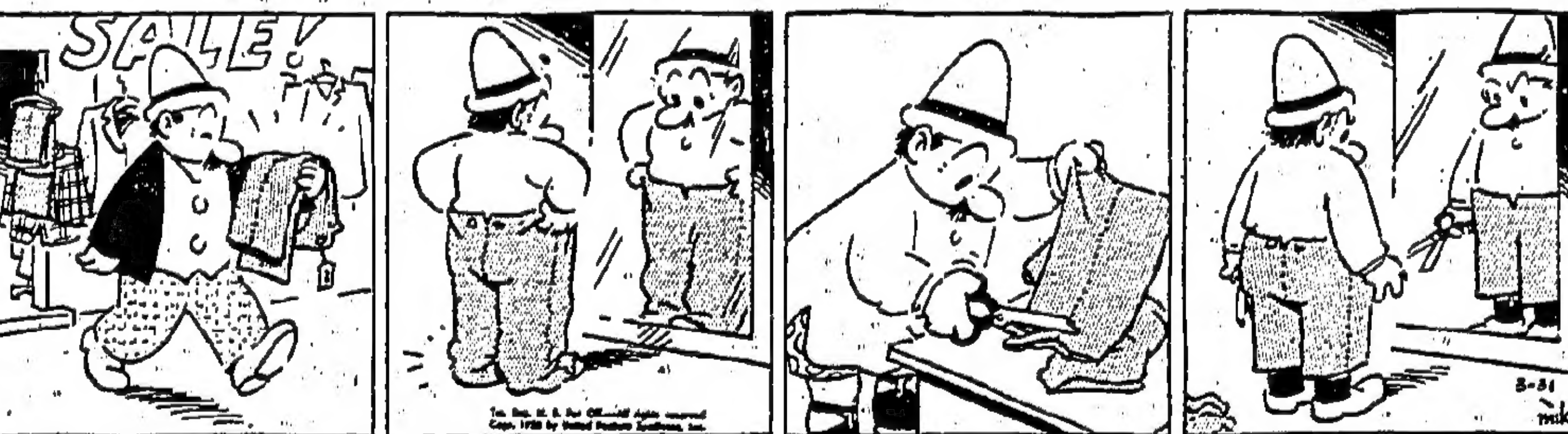
## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



## FERD'NAND

By Mik



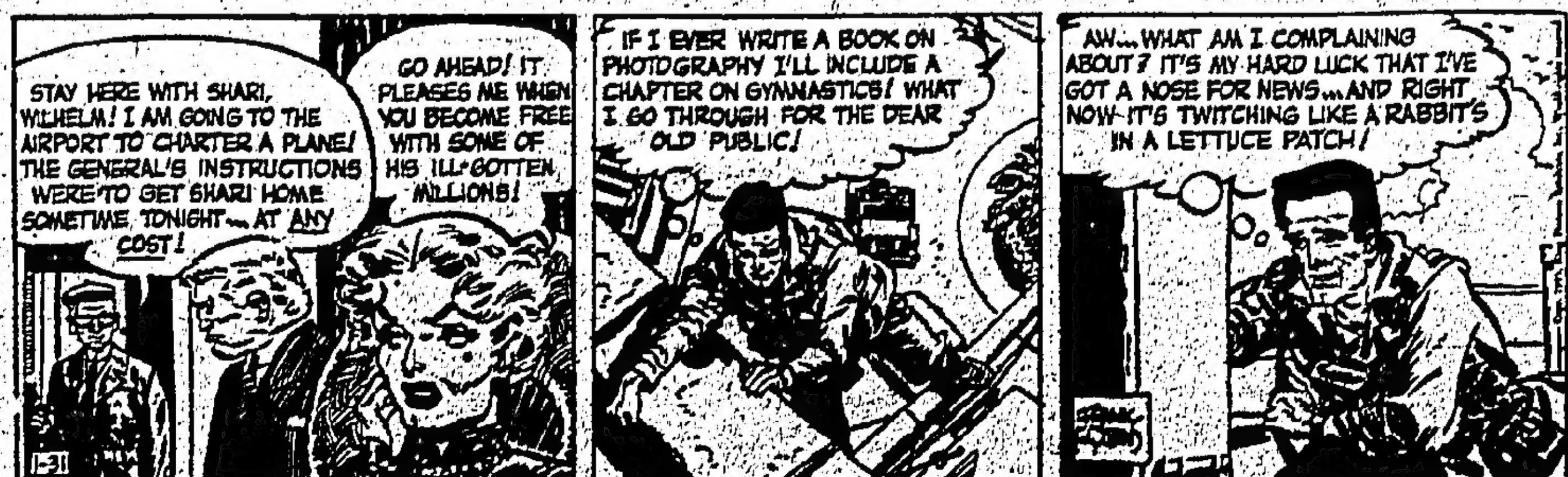
## NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



## JOHNNY HAZARD

By Frank Robbins



## THE VITAL SPARK

The problem of providing an  
adequate "spark" for the latest  
jet engines has resulted in the  
development of a high energy  
igniter which produces a suffi-  
ciently hot, fat spark to  
vaporize and ignite liquid drops  
of paraffin or kerosene at very  
high altitudes and great speeds.  
Under these conditions, the  
earlier high tension plug and  
torch igniter tended to fall al-  
though they were efficient under  
more normal circumstances.

The high energy igniter pro-  
duces a spark that dissipates  
250 times as much energy as  
the conventional high tension  
plug, yet operates at only 2,000  
volts (instead of the 12,000  
volts of high tension plug).  
The KLG Sparking Plug Com-  
pany evolved, after much re-  
search, a semi-conductor coating  
designated TS 1018 to with-  
stand the heat of this spark  
and today, their high energy  
igniter is in use on most  
British jet engines.

## PROFITABLE VISCOUNT

Mr. Athol Towley, Aus-  
tralian Minister of Civil  
Aviation, announced last  
week that Trans-Australia  
Airlines has ordered three  
more Viscounts propeller-  
turbine aircraft. Mr. Towley  
stated: "These new  
Viscounts will have im-  
proved performance, and  
should be delivered by mid-  
1956, bringing TAA's total  
fleet of Viscounts to nine."

Viscounts have now completed  
some 80,000 flying hours in  
service with BEA, Air France,  
Aer Lingus, Trans-Australia  
Airlines and Trans-Canada Air-  
lines; and have shown impres-  
sive operating returns. For  
example, BEA's financial report  
for the year ended March 31,  
1954, states that the Corpo-  
ration's fleet of 17 Viscounts made  
a profit of £215,000 at a rate of  
£18.5 profit for each revenue  
hour flown.

Air France announced that they  
are now operating Viscounts  
over the whole of their  
European network and that  
"During the winter, a distance  
equivalent to three times the  
circumference of the earth will  
be flown every week by Air  
France Viscounts."

During the ten months ended  
December 31, 1954, Aer Lingus  
Viscounts carried 121,149 pas-  
sengers on 2,919 flights at a  
passenger load factor of 84.5  
per cent, while over the period  
December 18, 1954 to March  
19, 1955, Trans-Australia Air-  
lines carried 40,079 passengers  
at an average load factor of 85.7  
per cent.

With these achievements and  
two years of operating experi-  
ence behind it, the Viscount is  
still the only turboprop aircraft  
in service in the world. The  
Viscount order book now stands  
at 128 aircraft, valued at some  
£42,000,000 (not including  
spares).





## Interest Concentrated In Key Industries

Major interest of American businessmen in Wall Street last week concentrated in key industries—oil, steel, and autos. A showdown in the weeks-long labour talks involving the United States Workers Union and two of America's giants, Ford Motor Co. and General Motors, appears to be not far off.

Washington, May 30.  
The outlook for the 1955 grain  
output in Japan is promising,  
according to an Agriculture  
Department report.  
The Department said a total  
grain output approximating the  
near-record harvest indicated  
weather conditions continue  
favourable.—United Press.

official estimated in 1953-54  
13,500 tons from 69,680 acre  
—United Press.

—United Press.

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# CHINA MAIL

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TUESDAY, MAY 31, 1955.

STARTS INSTANTLY  
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"CLICKER"  
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## JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

### Chance Meeting

IT was summer. On a headland overlooking the island's main harbour, a tall man in a business suit stood regarding through rimless spectacles the scene far below him.

The afternoon steamer from the mainland was approaching. The tall man watched and drew a deep breath of contentment.

He remembered how he, a few months before, had arrived on the steamer—a fugitive from his own past. He thought with thankfulness of how the island, where he now worked and had his home, had proved a sanctuary for him.

These few months ago, the tall man—whose name was Louis—had wondered if he ever would be able to escape the legacy of nearly 30 years of spasmodic crime, ever be able to move among men without fearing he was being suspected, watched.

**THE NEW LIFE**

FRANK had been his speciality as a criminal. He looked so prosperous and by nature was so genial, that shops and hotels, clubs and pubs almost fell over themselves in their eagerness to oblige him by handing him money and goods in exchange for cheques which presently turned out to be worthless.

But the last time Louis came out of prison, he decided to put his former sort of life behind him.

He put his excellent presence to a better use, got himself a job in the office of a factory, and within a few months had made such good progress that he was promoted and sent to the island as branch manager of the firm.

Life began again for him. **DON'T YOU REMEMBER?**

THE evening after he had watched the boat come in, Louis went to a tourist hotel, near the harbour, for a drink. He had hardly taken a sip before a voice close to him said: "Good Lord, Louis, isn't it?"

Louis turned, saw a vaguely familiar face.

"You must remember me," the stranger said.

Then Louis did. It was a man connected with the prosecution in a criminal case against him 16 years before.

It did not take long for the story of Louis's past to spread from that hotel bar—as it seemed to him—every corner of the island.

Now, when he called on customers, doors that had formerly opened wide shut on his face. A little of this and Louis lost his nerve, threw up his job, fled back to the mainland on the steamer.

**"GOSSIP FLEW"**

HE took to his old tricks, dealing out dead cheques. By the time he was caught, a few months later, he had obtained more than £2,000 by false pretences of one sort and another.

At Bow Street, Louis pleaded guilty to two cases, and asked for 58 others to be taken into consideration. His story was told to Mr E. G. Robey.

"Have you anything to say?" the magistrate asked him.

"Yes," Louis answered, "I had a decent position with the company. Then that man recognised me after 16 years, and gossip flew round the island and I had to leave."

"But I can't deal with a case like this. I don't think my powers are adequate to deal with you. I'm afraid I must commit you to Sessions for sentence."

### 2 More Italian Pilots Killed

Rome, May 30.

Two Italian airlines pilots were killed in their two-seater Meccati M-308 plane today, raising to six the death toll in plane crashes in Italy in 24 hours.

The pilot Enrico Gagliardi and Pasquale Ruggiero, were killed instantly when their plane crashed into a hill on the outskirts of Rome near the Turin airport. The cause was unknown.

Yesterday, four flies were killed when two planes collided in the air during an air show at Pavia.—United Press.

## OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

### A Bitter Election Campaign Is Over

From H. KING WOOD

Sydney, May 29.

The Victorian election campaign which ended with the voting on Saturday, developed into one of the most bitter of all times.

There was little respect for persons in the free-for-all, the Prime Minister, Mr Menzies, getting the same verbal battering as has been handed out to the Federal Labour leader, Dr Evatt.

Sectarianism raised its ugly head early and set the pace for slander and counter-slander.

The Prime Minister himself got a large share of the blame for this state of affairs. It was quite apparent early that sectarianism was the background, but by tacit consent all parties steered clear of the subject.

Then Mr Menzies accused Dr Evatt of raising "the hateful issue of sectarianism" to which the "Doc" made an indignant denial, and so the issue went further, than any of the candidates were prepared to go, most of them being wholeheartedly afraid of the whole subject.

But the campaign was not without its humorous side. So many breakaway groups developed that the politicians themselves must have had trouble in keeping up with them.

The Official Labour Party fought the breakaway Anti-Communist Labour Party, and the Liberal—Country Party fought the Victorian Liberals, another breakaway group.

It is not until Sunday, Saturday's result which saw the Liberals win, it being tipped that Mr Menzies will jump on the band-wagon and go to the country later this year.

**CRACKER NIGHT**

Last night was cracker night and there is little doubt that it was more noisy and smoke-filled than usual. There is also in doubt that crackers are getting more expensive and contain less fizzle and sparkle.

We took our place in a crowded shop last night to get additional supplies and 10s worth went comfortably into a small brown paper bag, so can readily believe the estimate that record £200,000 went up in smoke this year.

Japanese fireworks are "on sale for the first time since the war and are the cheapest followed by Hongkong consignments."

The town does not seem to have caught up in this department yet, for nothing has replaced the Golden Rains, Jack-in-boxes, Catherine wheels and straight out bangers.

One store, incidentally, reported a good sale of No. 9 rockets at 1s each.

Generally speaking, however, there was little to be seen this cracker night.

**A SELL-OUT**

All tickets allocated to Sydney for the athletic "finals and the opening and closing ceremonies of the Olympic Games in Melbourne in November, 1956, went like hot cakes."

Main stadium tickets for heats of the truck and field events dragged a little but stocks of these are also getting low.

Night tickets for swimming and gymnastics have also gone. Turnover in three days of sales at the city store handling them was £13,717.

**FLOODS AFTERMATH**

It is more than three months since the tragic floods hit Maitland and Singleton, and although gradual recovery is being made the towns are still only a shadow of their former selves.

It is now, perhaps more than any other time that you can get an idea of just what has happened to this once rich valley.

Streets which were many feet deep in mud have now been cleared and houses have been made habitable where possible. Hundreds of shops have also been restored, but there are still large sections of deserted windowless shops, feet deep in hard-caked mud, with broken floors and sagging ceilings.

Many houses are still half buried in sludge and others are battered wrecks which never again will be habitable.

Large groups of people from both towns are still living either with friends or at nearby migrant and military camps. In Maitland, residents who wish to do so are being helped to move their homes to higher ground.

The Council has earmarked £50,000 from relief funds for this purpose.

Farmers whose land was flooded face a grim winter. Thousands of fertile acres are covered either with feet of sludge

sand or with cracked cakes of hard mud.

Incidentally, people speak highly of the work of the flood relief committees. These committees meet every week to consider claims and there is no nonsense about making prompt distribution of funds.

The former Governor-General, Sir William McKell, is one of three persons in a company seeking an open-air picture theatre licence from the State Government.

The company—which has adopted the rather apt name of Blue Sky Theatres Pty Ltd—proposes to establish a drive-in picture theatre with accommodation for nearly 600 cars out in our Franchise Forest, on the outskirts of Sydney.

Thirteen other applications have been received for drive-in licences which may be granted under legislation recently passed by State Parliament.

**NEW ACTIVITY**

There is, seemingly, few avenues of our life in which our backroom department—the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)—is not concerned.

Now they are capturing wild birds and branding them in an attempt to discover which of the species benefit the nation's economy.

The scientists hope that the bird branding will enable them to restrict the depredations of species injurious to our agriculture. They point out that bird branding schemes, begun in Britain more than 50 years ago, have well proved their worth.

So costly are vegetables in Sydney at present that speculators at the City Market cleared not less than £4,000 from three truckloads of Victorian vegetables one day this week.

A truckload of 300 bags of peas sold for £2,400; a truck of brussels sprouts for £1,200 and a load of cabbages for more than £400.

Heavens alone knows what the unhappy housewife is going to pay for this by the time it reaches her, but yesterday cauliflower were selling up to 8/ each, peas were about 3/ lb and beans 4/; so you can't really blame them if greens are off the menu for a time.

**NICE FOR WA GOVT**

Mr A. Goldman and his wife have bought a 1,123,333-acre station in the Kimberleys from the West Australian Government for £100,000 and have announced that in the next five years they will spend £250,000 on improving it.

As well as the £100,000 take-off, the WA Government hasn't done badly out of the deal because feeding the natives on the station used to cost the Government £11,000 a year.

There Goldman's apparently know what they are doing with stations. They have owned five ones in Queensland between them and Mrs Goldman owned another two.

Now they have sold them all. As the fellow in the train said this morning: if he has £100,000 the last thing he would be doing would be buying 413 miles of land in the top of Western Australia, let alone kicking in another quarter of a million.

### Gold Miners' Strike Ends

Rio de Janeiro, May 30.

The 18-day strike of 3,500 gold miners of the British-owned St John del Rey mining company appeared ended today after a compromise agreement signed here yesterday on the controversial health differential wage issue.

Strikers at the Nova Lima mine site in Minas Gerais ratified the agreement, which calls for a review of health conditions by a Labour Ministry committee that will re-examine the mines.

The president of St John del Rey, Lord Rathavau, arrived from London yesterday to discuss with the Brazilian authorities the future of the mine, which produces 2,500 kilos of gold.—United Press.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"My parents saved all these—I said some pretty cute things when I was a child!"

## LIGHTERS COLLISION CASE

### Plaintiffs Begin Final Submissions

Submissions that the plaintiffs had clearly proved collisions in the two bays concerned at Kowloon Wharves were made by the Hon. Leo d'Almada, QC, leading counsel for plaintiffs, when hearing of the claim for damages, brought by the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd, against Wang Kee and Co., resumed before Mr Justice J. R. Gregg, acting Senior Puisne Judge, at the Supreme Court this morning.

Mr J. P. Hewitt, Senior Surveyor of Ships, Marine Department, is sitting with Mr Justice J. R. Gregg as Assessor.

Plaintiffs represented by Mr A. A. Shurlock, instructed by Mr R. A. Wadsworth, of Messrs Duncanson, are claiming damages totalling \$705,533.15 from Wang Kee and Co., stevedores and merchants, of 34-37 Connaught Road Central, arising from the sinking of four of their lighters and damage to three others during the typhoon.

In the early hours of September 2, 1953, Plaintiffs alleged negligence on the part of defendants.

Wang Kee and Co. are represented by Mr John McNeill, QC, Mr Leslie Wright and Mr Victor Gittins, instructed by Mr Y. K. Kan, of Messrs Lo and Lo.

In their claim plaintiffs alleged that by the negligence of defendants, their servants and agents, lighters belonging to defendants were adrift and bore down and collided with plaintiffs' lighters sinking four and damaging three.

Mr d'Almada commenced his final submissions on behalf of plaintiffs this morning in reply to submissions for the defence made by Mr McNeill last Thursday and Friday.

**ONLY ONE ANSWER**

Counsel said Mr McNeill had stated in his final address that on the three issues of collision or no collision, damage done by collision and negligence, plaintiffs had failed to discharge the burden upon them, but that on the other hand the defendants had satisfied the Court of either plaintiff negligence or contributory negligence. Mr McNeill had further submitted that the collisions were due to and could be termed inevitable accident.

After citing from an authority setting out the burden of proof in regard to negligence, Mr d'Almada said it was for the Court to decide on the reliability of the evidence adduced by either side. If that test was employed on the evidence in the case, he submitted there could be but one answer and he hoped to satisfy the Court on that.

He asked the Court to devote its attention to the facts and contented that when those facts were ascertained it would be clear that plaintiffs had discharged the burden of proof in regard to collision, damage and negligence.

Dealing first with the evidence of collision in the Cites bay between defendants' lighter, Karley, and plaintiffs' lighters 4) and 62, (which defendants alleged never took place) he said there

## MURDER SENTENCE APPEAL: CROWN COUNSEL REPLIES

The judges' rules in regard to taking of statements from an accused were merely rules of conduct to the Police, and it was the duty of the trial judge to examine the circumstances in which the statement was taken to see whether it was made voluntarily or not, submitted Mr J. McRobert, Crown Counsel at the continuation of the murder appeal hearing before the Full Court this morning.

Before the Full Court, comprising Mr Justice T. J. Gould, Acting Chief Justice, and Mr Justice J. Wickes, Acting Puisne Judge, two men, Yam Kwan-pak, alias Ah Kwan, 20, and Ho Kwong-tang, alias Ah Tang, 22, appealed against conviction by a Jury of murder of PC Lui Shing last December 6 at a trial before Mr Justice J. R. Gregg. Both were sentenced to death by the Trial Judge.

First appellant was represented by Mr Perry Chen, instructed by Messrs Wilkinson and Grist, and second by Mr W. K. Lee, instructed by Messrs Woo and Woo.

First appellant's grounds of appeal were (1) that the Trial Judge failed to exercise his discretion judicially, (2) that the Trial Judge misdirected himself and admitted evidence which was inadmissible, and (3) that the verdict was against the weight of evidence.

The grounds of appeal of the second appellant were (1) that the verdict was unreasonable or could not be supported by evidence; (2) that the Trial Judge omitted to put the Defence adequately to the Jury.

In reply to the submissions by Counsel for the appellants, Mr McRobert dealt with the question of whether some of the Prosecution witnesses were accomplices. During the trial he said, the Crown had not specifically claimed that these witnesses were not accomplices and that was done on the ground that when a man was faced on a capital crime, the Crown should allow him every opportunity of a free defence and not rely on technicalities.

Mr Blair-Kerr, Senior Crown Counsel for the Prosecution, had left the question to the Court and the trial judge had specifically directed the Jury that these witnesses were accomplices.

Quoting an authority, Mr McRobert submitted that the issue of accomplices was a matter left to the Jury subject to the advice of the trial judge. He submitted that it was doubtful whether some of these witnesses were accomplices of the crime of murder but the Jury had been specifically directed that they were, and that, I feel, was very favourable to the Defence and against the Prosecution.

**ACCOMPLICE ISSUE**

Dealing with the question of the admissibility of a statement having allegedly been made by the first accused, Mr McRobert said that Mr Chen had submitted that the duty of the Crown was to produce any case or authority to show that the statement should be admitted.

Counsel submitted that prima facie, the statement was inadmissible provided that the Crown could satisfy the trial judge that it was not made in consequence of threats or injustice, which, he said, was very different from the Crown being asked to produce evidence to show that in a similar case the statement had been accepted.

Mr Chen had quoted judges' rules, Mr McRobert said, and he (Mr McRobert) submitted that the judges' rules were merely a guidance to the Police for their conduct towards the prisoners and were not laws. It was the duty of the trial judge to examine the circumstances under which the statement was taken to see whether it was made voluntarily or not.

**TRIAL WITHIN TRIAL**

On the question of admissibility of the statement, the trial judge had heard cross-examinations by the Defence Counsel on the various Police officers, on the allegations of threats, inducements, coercion, and intimidation. The Jury, by that time, had retired and the trial judge then heard a trial within a trial lasting more than one day, during which every person who had been named by the Defence Counsel and every person who had had any authority over the appellants during the evening of taking of the statement, had been subject to vigorous cross-examination. No evidence had been called in respect of this matter by any of the appellants.

At the close of this hearing on the question of the admissibility of the statement, the trial judge had adjourned to consider Mr Chen's very lengthy submission. He then gave his opinion that all the objections raised by Mr Chen were without substance and the objections were accordingly overruled.

In this case the trial had in fact permitted and conducted a

## Yugoslav-Soviet Talks Communique

Brioni, May 30.

Top Soviet and Yugoslav leaders conferred today in an "atmosphere of mutual understanding" on relations between the two countries, a joint communique said tonight.

Yugoslav President Tito and his Soviet guests, Communist Party First Secretary Nikita Khrushchev and Premier Nikolai Bulganin, arrived at this Adriatic island yesterday to continue talks begun in Belgrade last week.

The delegation leaders were assisted by technical advisers in today's conversations, the communique said.

President Tito and his guests also visited the Istrian Peninsula ports Pula and Rovinj on a rapid cruise.

Soviet and Yugoslav viewpoints on the international situation were brought closer together during today's talks between top leaders of the two countries, sources close to the two delegations said here today.

## NEARING AGREEMENT

The sources said that the delegations headed by President Tito for Yugoslavia and Communist Party First Secretary Nikita Khrushchev and Premier Nikolai Bulganin for the Soviet Union were also nearing agreement on the development of relations between their countries.

Today's meetings between the two delegations, which for the first time were attended by technical advisers, began this morning at the White Villa, the summer residence of President Tito here. It was the fifth day of meetings between the delegations of the two countries.

By common agreement, the two delegations have put aside discussions of Communist ideology, the sources said.

However, this does not preclude later the establishment of contact between the Yugoslav Socialist Alliance (the former "Popular Front") and the Communist Parties of Europe, including the Soviet Union and the Eastern European countries. Tito is also President of the Socialist Alliance.—France-Press.

## KREMLIN WORRIED

New York, May 31.

The Daily Mirror commented today that the Soviet-Yugoslav talks indicate that the Kremlin is worried.

It said: "The negotiations between Yugoslavia's Tito and Russia's Khrushchev now in progress are an indication that the Kremlin is worried, but good about the mounting strength and alliances of the anti-Soviet bloc of nations."

"Whether it will be tied to the Russian Marxist dogma or not, the fact remains that the Yugoslav regime is a Communist one and nobody can be sure who's be'g set up to get hurt in the talk."

"In any event, it is heartening that members of Congress are determined not to permit Tito to play both ends against the middle. The House is prepared to balk at passing the aid (for Yugoslavia) bill if Tito enters a new accord with the Russians."—United Press.

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## Nearly Inch Of Rain

Nearly one inch of rain fell between 12 midnight and 12 noon today, according to the Royal Observatory.

The exact figure was 24.6 millimetres, or .967 inch.

By far the heaviest period was between 10 and 11 o'clock when 1.5 inch of rain fell in a sudden torrential downpour.

## Diplomatic Moves

London, May 30.

New diplomatic moves with an Asian flavour were reported imminent today in the drive to promote direct Formosan cease-fire talks between the United States and Communist China.

Soundings are expected to start in Washington next month through Asian mediators.

Three top Asian representatives in close touch with Rod Chinese Premier Chou En-lai have scheduled visits to the United States next month for discussion with American authorities of the protracted Formosan conflict.—United Press.

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